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# REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

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## TOWN OFFICERS

### Selectmen

George L. Whitcomb      George C. Winchester      A. Dudley Bagley

### Overseers of Poor

Timothy Coffey      George H. Tenney      Mrs. James H. Bennett

### Assessors

Timothy Coffey	Term expires March, 1923
George E. King	Term expires March, 1924
George H. Tenney	Term expires March, 1925

### Town Clerk

Frederick J. Piper

### Town Treasurer

Timothy E. Flarity

### School Committee

Charles A. Packard	Term expires March, 1923
Frank H. Ormsby	Term expires March, 1924
Lyman A. Cook	Term expires March, 1925

### Constables

Harry C. Felch      H. B. Hathaway      W. H. Robbinett

### Tax Collector

Ernest G. Wilson

### Auditors

Harry L. Whitcomb      Fred N. Davis      Cornelious P. Keefe

**Committee on Suppression of the Illegal Sale of Intoxicating Liquor**

George L. Whitcomb      George C. Winchester      A. Dudley Bagley

**Trustees of Public Library**

Robert G. Fessenden	Term expires March, 1923
Carl B. Willard	Term expires March, 1924
Evelyn L. Warren	Term expires March, 1925

**Board of Health**

Richard S. Ely, M. D.    Mrs. Helen P. Fessenden    Mrs. L. A. Seaver

**Cemetery Commissioners**

George A. Wilder	Term expires March, 1923
Asa K. Tyler	Term expires March, 1924
Ernest G. Wilson	Term expires March, 1925

**Trustees of Tucker Fund**

Richard S. Ely      Eva M. Ely      Wilbur Z. Sherwin

**Tree Warden**

William W. Copeland

**Park Commissioners**

William A. Russell	Term expires March, 1923
Robert G. Fessenden	Term expires March, 1924
John J. Piper	Term expires March, 1925

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**OFFICERS APPOINTED****Highway Surveyor**

Clarence A. King

**Public Weighers**

Union S. Adams	S. W. Keefe
W. D. Farrar	C. L. Webster
Lewis Damon	G. B. Richardson
T. J. Harvey	C. E. Moulton
W. F. Rockwood	H. L. Whitcomb
Fred N. Davis	



## Cullers of Hoops and Staves

Nicholas J. McGuire

Harry L. Whitcomb

## Fence Viewers

Beniah H. Savage

Frank M. Stickney

## Surveyors of Wood, Bark and Lumber

W. M. Booth

B. H. Savage

George G. Clark

W. J. Stewart

H. C. Felch

C. A. Stickney

W. M. Lawrence

C. L. Wyman

E. B. Morse

E. W. Wallace

C. E. Moulton

L. Z. Watkins

C. P. Mudgett

H. L. Whitcomb

A. B. Wyman

## Registrars of Voters

Frederick J. Piper, Clerk of the Board

John A. Arlin

Term expires March, 1923

Herman L. Stickney

Term expires March, 1924

Irving A. Seaver

Term expires March, 1925

## Forest Warden

Frederick J. Piper

## Inspector of Animals, Provisions and Slaughtering

Charles B. Shaw, D. V. S.

## Weights and Measures

Oscar B. Mudgett, Sealer

James A. Shea, of Fitchburg, Deputy Sealer

## Soldiers' Burial Agent

Hudson A. Bray

## Agent for Care of Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves

William H. Robinett

## Chief of Police

Harry C. Felch

**Field Drivers**

H. B. Hathaway                      B. H. Savage                      Frank B. Eaton

**Board of Engineers**

                                 F. J. Piper, Chief  
R. G. Fessenden              J. W. Livingston              F. A. Greenleaf  
                         G. B. Richardson              F. H. Ormsby

**Town Counsel**

Robert H. J. Holden, Ayer

**Licensed Undertaker**

Ernest G. Wilson

**School Inspector**

Henry B. Boynton, M. D.

**Moth Department**

William W. Copeland

**Junk Peddlers**

Philip Winthrop                      Simon Winthrop

**Hackney Licenses**

Victor Maxwell (2)	N. L. Wood
M. E. Campbell	E. E. Winchester (4)
V. W. Smith	A. J. Beaudette
M. R. Colby	R. T. Kilbourn

# ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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TOWNSEND, MARCH 6, 1922

Agreeably to the warrant the annual town meeting was held on the above date, in Memorial hall.

The meeting was called to order by the town clerk at 6 o'clock A. M., and the warrant as far as Article 1 was read.

On motion of G. L. Whitcomb, it was voted that further reading of the warrant be deferred until 1 o'clock.

The vote was unanimous.

The constables' service of the warrant was read by the clerk.

Under article 1, Timothy E. Flarity was nominated for moderator.

On motion of G. L. Whitcomb voted that the town clerk cast one ballot for T. E. Flarity for moderator.

The ballot was taken and T. E. Flarity was declared elected moderator for one year.

The moderator was sworn by the town clerk.

G. E. Gates, T. J. Coffey, R. S. Misner and R. A. Copeland were sworn as ballot clerks by the town clerk.

S. W. Keefe, J. A. Arlin, Mrs. W. A. Russell, Mrs. C. W. Mead, Mrs. F. N. Boutelle, Mrs. Agnes Sherwin, and Amy L. Whitcomb were sworn as tellers by the town clerk.

The ballots, tally sheets, etc., were placed in charge of the chairman of election officers, who gave a proper receipt for the same, and the polls were declared open.

The meeting in town affairs was called to order by the moderator at 1 o'clock, the warrant was read by the town clerk.

Action on the several articles of the warrant was taken as follows:

Article 2. Voted that the appointment of public weighers, cul-  
lers of hoops and staves, fence viewers and surveyors of wood, bark  
and lumber, be left with the selectmen.

The vote was unanimous.

Art. 3. Voted to accept the printed reports of the officers and  
committees of the town.

The vote was unanimous.

Art. 4. The moderator stated unless objections were raised  
the several amounts raised and appropriated would be expended un-  
der the direction of the heads of the departments making the recom-  
mendations. No objection was raised and it was so ordered.

Voted to raise and appropriate as follows:

General Government

Salaries:

Selectmen	\$375 00	
Assessors	300 00	
Overseers of Poor	150 00	
Treasurer	250 00	
Town Clerk	95 00	
Auditors	50 00	
Town Counsel	100 00	
Registrars	75 00	
Election Officers	100 00	
Moderator	5 00	
Tax Collectors	550 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,050 00

Expenses:

Selectmen	\$200 00	
Assessors	150 00	
Treasurer	50 00	
Town Clerk	20 00	
Election Officers	50 00	
Town Officers' Bonds	82 00	
Memorial Hall	600 00	
Insurance	4 35	
	<hr/>	\$1,156 35

Total appropriations for General Government	<hr/>	\$3,206 35
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Protection of Persons and Property

## Police Department:

Police Expenses	\$800 00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	50 00	
Suppression of Vice	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,050 00

## Fire Department:

Salary of Chief	\$ 50 00	
Firemen's Salaries	370 00	
Poll Taxes, Firemen	165 00	
Incidentals	450 00	
Teams to Fires	50 00	
Lighting Engine Houses	20 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,105 00

## Forestry Department:

Suppression of Moths	\$838 64	
Tree Warden	125 00	
Forest Fires	150 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,113 64

Total Appropriations for Protection	<hr/>	\$3,268 64
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## Health and Sanitation

Inspection of Animals and Meat	\$250 00	
Vital Statistics	10 00	
Board of Health	200 00	
Fessenden Sewer	40 00	

Total for Health and Sanitation	<hr/>	\$500 00
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## Highways and Bridges

Street Repairs	\$6,400 00	
Removing Snow	750 00	
Street Lights	1,860 00	
Watering Troughs	25 00	
Bridges and Village Streets	500 00	
Insurance	3 75	

Total Appropriations for Highways and Bridges	<hr/>	\$9,538 75
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**Charities**

Almshouse	\$2,000 00	
Outside Poor	2,500 00	
Expenses Overseers Poor	50 00	
Total Appropriations for Charities		\$4,550 00

**Education**

Teachers and Supervisors	\$16,000 00	
Superintendent's Salary	1,450 00	
Books and Supplies	1,400 00	
Repairs	500 00	
Janitors	1,440 00	
Transportation	3,800 00	
Fuel	1,000 00	
Office and Census	100 00	
School Physician	100 00	
New Equipment	300 00	
Incidentals	300 00	
Drinking Water	100 00	
Insurance	221 00	
Total for Education		\$26,711 00

**Public Library**

Evelyn L. Warren, Librarian	\$478 07
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**Recreation**

Park Commissioners	\$300 00	
Band Concerts	400 00	
Total for Recreation		\$700 00

**Soldiers' Benefits**

State Aid	\$350 00	
Soldiers' Relief	50 00	
Total for Soldiers' Benefits		\$400 00
Interest		\$1,500 00



## Unclassified

Printing Reports	\$585 20
Memorial Day	125 00
Farm Bureau	150 00
Insurance on Hearse House	7 80
Miscellaneous	150 00
	<hr/> \$1,018 00
Total Budget Appropriations	<hr/> \$51,870 81

Art. 5. Voted that the selectmen be a committee for the suppression of vice and to prosecute the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in this town.

Art. 6. Voted that the selectmen act as agents of the town to prosecute and defend all suits on behalf of the town.

Art. 7. Voted that the money refunded to the town on account of dog licenses be used for the public library.

Art. 8. Voted that the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow, from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the fiscal year beginning January 1, 1922, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the said financial year.

Art. 9. Voted that the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow, a sum not exceeding \$6,000.00 in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1923, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the said financial year, and that no part be used for the payment of any bills for 1922. The vote was unanimous.

Art. 10. Voted not to raise the amount called for under this article as it was taken care of in the budget under highway repairs.

Art. 11. The amount called for in this article was taken care of in the budget appropriations, the same to be expended by, and the director to serve in co-operation with the county trustees for aid to agriculture of the Middlesex county bureau of agriculture and home economics, under the provisions of Chapter 273, General Acts of 1918; it being understood that \$50.00 of this amount shall be used

to provide local supervision of boys' and girls' club work. The vote was unanimous.

Voted and chose Rev. A. L. Struthers as director.

Art. 12. The following is the printed report of the committee chosen January 21, 1922, to investigate the condition of the old schoolhouse at the Center, and the advisability of building a new building:

The committee held eight meetings and make the following report:

We have investigated the rooming conditions at the Center building and find them very unsatisfactory.

Four of the rooms used for school purposes are each too small for handling the school in an economical manner. Two of these rooms, perhaps, contain more seats than will conform to state regulations, and in case they are not approved the schools will be handicapped decidedly unless accommodations can be found in other buildings in town.

There is no lavatory in the building, and the pupils who are transported have no opportunity to wash their hands during the entire day, no matter what accidents may happen.

The toilets are of the Smead type, which are burned out at regular intervals and no water is supplied to flush the urinals.

The basement lacks two feet of being the present required depth, yet water stands there in wet weather. There are no cloak-rooms and the corridors are obstructed with coats and overshoes. There is no storage space in the building and the supply of drinking water is stored in the corridors. This water is brought in bottles at an expense of about \$100.00 a year. The school uses a room on the third floor loaned by the Odd Fellows. The location of this room is a continued fire hazard. The State authorities have inspected this room and have agreed to withhold condemnation for the remainder of the school year. After that, if the room is used for school purposes, it must be provided with another enclosed stairway and the ventilating and heating system must be extended to it. Not only in this room, but in other rooms, the danger from fire is very great. The furnaces cannot heat the building in severe weather, and so far as we can learn, for many years the schools have been forced to begin on cold mornings with very low temperatures in some of the

rooms. The town reports show that for nearly twenty years the superintendents have pleaded for more rooms, and for an equal length of time the principals suggested more room and begged for better laboratory facilities.

No addition has been made for forty years, except that one room has been divided by a partition. We have had an architect make plans for adding four rooms to the building, and we have had these figured by a contractor to determine the cost. We find that the expense to add these rooms and make the necessary adjustments to the old part will cost \$30,000.00. This does not include rooms for manual training and domestic science, and does not include bringing water to the building. In making these plans we notice several difficulties. We must present plans of the old building and plans of the improvements for state inspection. This means that the old part which was built fifty years ago must in some respects be brought up to the present building laws. The present toilet system must be abandoned, and we must either install flush closets or build out-door toilets at least thirty feet from the school house. Thirty feet from the building after the four rooms are added would place them outside our school grounds. Many other difficulties equally serious were encountered in planning an addition to the present building. We believe that it would not be economical to solve our school problem by adding to the present building. A large part of our building would still be old. The upkeep would be expensive and the insurance rate high. A new brick building would be semi-fireproof and the upkeep much less.

It would be much more convenient than the best remodeled building we could make. It could be placed on a lot where better playgrounds are available. We therefore recommend that the town build a schoolhouse to accommodate the high school and the grades that are now located in the Center building. We have consulted architects and find that a suitable building can be erected for \$60,000.00, including land damage and architect's fees. The payment could be extended over a period of twenty years at \$3,000.00 and interest each year.

The prevailing rate of interest at present is four and a half per cent, and the credit of the town is of the best. Computing on our present valuation, the payment of \$3,000.00 a year and interest will increase our tax rate \$2.67 the first year, and will gradually decrease until the last year, when this will add only \$1.57. This is not all

added expense to the taxpayer, as much of it would be assessed any way for the extra cost of repairs, insurance, fuel, painting and general upkeep of the old building.

Respectfully,

A. S. HOWARD,  
H. B. BOYNTON,  
C. A. PACKARD,  
W. F. ROCKWOOD,  
A. J. ATWOOD,  
F. H. ORMSBY,  
W. Z. SHERWIN,  
A. DUDLEY BAGLEY,  
JOHN BACON,  
J. E. HUGHES, Dissenting,  
Committee.

Townsend, March 2, 1922.

Art. 13. A. D. Bagley for the committee presented the following motion: Moved that the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be authorized to borrow the sum of \$60,000.00 for the purpose of building a new schoolhouse at the Center, the same to be paid by a series of notes of \$3,000.00 each, payable one each year for a period of twenty years.

The question was then open for discussion and remarks were made on the subject by A. S. Howard, A. D. Bagley, A. P. Homer, Mr. Ludwig, J. E. Hughes, G. A. Proctor and others. The previous question was then voted which shut off further debate. On motion of J. J. Piper it was unanimously voted that the checklists be used in taking the vote. The question was stated by the moderator and the vote was taken, the result of the ballot was Yes 169, No 33, and the motion for a new building was carried. Voted that a committee of three be appointed to bring in the names of four to act with the school committee as a building committee. The committee presented the names of John Bacon, A. D. Bagley, W. F. Rockwood and H. B. Boynton as that committee, a vote was taken and the gentlemen named were unanimously elected to serve with the school committee as a building committee. On motion of H. B. Boynton voted that the committee be empowered to select a site and purchase land.

Art. 14. Voted to appropriate from the surplus revenue the sum of \$600.00 to rebuild the bridge over the brook near the resid-



ence of F. W. Woods, the same to be expended under the direction of the selectmen.

Art. 15. Voted to appropriate from the surplus revenue the sum of \$200.00 for the purpose of removing snow from the highways in order that they may be passable for automobiles during the winter.

Art. 16. Voted to appropriate from the surplus revenue the sum of \$200.00 for use of the water committee for further investigation.

Art. 17. No action was taken and the article was passed.

Art. 18. G. H. Tenney of the Overseers of the Poor made a report of the lumbering operations at the town farm. Voted that the report be accepted. Voted that the net proceeds from the lumber at the town farm be deposited in the general treasury.

Art. 19. Voted that the officers and committees be authorized to condense the annual reports.

Art. 20. Voted to appropriate from the surplus revenue the sum of \$300.00 to pay the expense of a school nurse.

Art. 21. Voted to pass the article.

Art. 22. Voted to place two street lights on the street between C. A. Smith's and Angus Misner's, and that a sum sufficient to pay for same be appropriated from the surplus revenue.

Art. 23. No action was taken and the article was passed.

Art. 24. Voted to appropriate from the surplus revenue a sum sufficient for two new lights on Main street at the Center, the location of the same to be determined by the selectmen.

Art. 25. Voted to appropriate from the surplus revenue the sum of \$25.00 for the expense of a dental clinic.

Art. 26. Voted to appropriate from the surplus revenue the sum of \$150.00 for the purpose of purchasing a new picture screen for Memorial hall.

Art. 27. Voted that in future the tax commitment be given by the assessors to the tax collector not later than August first.

Art. 28. The following motion was made by G. L. Whitcomb: That all taxes be collected during the year in which they are assessed, and that the tax collector shall not receive more than 50% of his

salary until the whole amount of the tax committed to him shall have been collected and paid into the town treasury.

Art. 29. Voted to appropriate from the surplus revenue the sum of \$50.00 for care of soldiers' graves.

Art. 30. Voted to pass the article.

Art. 31. Voted that the J. A. Robinson milk account which is uncollectable be taken from the books and charged against the revenue account.

Art. 32. Voted to accept from the heirs of the late Daniel Wares the sum of \$100.00 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Daniel Wares lot in the West Townsend cemetery.

Art. 33. Voted to accept from William A. Dudley and Frank R. Dudley the sum of \$150.00 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Dudley lots in the Center cemetery.

Art. 34. Voted to accept from Mrs. Bertha White of Ayer, Mass., the sum of \$100.00 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the I. B. Sawtelle lot, in the West Townsend cemetery.

Art. 35. The committee on street lights at Townsend Harbor reported that the work was completed and the lights in operation.

Voted to accept the report.

The following resolution was presented:

It is with regret that we note that Albert S. Howard of the school committee has not allowed his name to be presented for re-election, and that the schools have lost the services of a valuable worker.

Mr. Howard has served the town in this capacity for twenty-three years, and in all that time he has continually given much of his time in the interests of the schools. Perhaps no resident of the town has shown greater interest in our young people attending school, or has rejoiced more over the success of our young folks at home, at normal school, college and elsewhere.

Moved: That the town extend a vote of thanks to Mr. Howard for his long and faithful service in the interests of the young people of Townsend.



A rising vote was taken and responded to unanimously.

The polls were closed at 3.05 o'clock, and the result of the balloting announced by the moderator as soon as the counting was complete.

The meeting was dissolved at 6 o'clock P. M.

T. E. FLARITY,

Chairman of Election Officers.

A true record.

Attest: Frederick J. Piper,  
Town Clerk.

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### SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, APRIL 29, 1922

Agreeably to the warrant a special town meeting was held on the above date at 2 o'clock P. M.

The meeting was called to order by the moderator and the warrant was read by the town clerk.

H. B. Boynton moved that the meeting take up articles 3, 4 and 5 before acting on articles 1 and 2, the motion was lost.

Article 1. To see if the town will vote to rescind its action taken at the annual town meeting held on March 6, 1922, under article 13, of the warrant, whereby it voted, in substance, that the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, be authorized to borrow the sum of \$60,000.00 for the purpose of building a new schoolhouse at the Center, the same to be paid by a series of notes of \$3,000.00 each, payable one each year for a period of twenty years.

John E. O'Brien made the motion that the town do rescind its action in accordance with article one.

Remarks were made on the subject by A. D. Bagley, J. E. Hughes, John LaPore, H. B. Boynton, G. A. Proctor, F. H. Ormsby, R. B. Adams, G. L. Whitcomb, G. H. Tenney and A. S. Howard.

G. H. Tenney moved the previous question which was seconded. The question then put was, "Shall the main question be now put?" The previous question was carried and the debate closed.

J. E. O'Brien moved that when the vote is taken that it be by ballot, the vote was taken and the moderator declared the motion

carried, the vote was doubted, the house was then divided and a standing vote taken, 230 voting in favor and 137 against, and the moderator declared that the vote would be taken by ballot.

H. L. Stickney, T. J. Coffey, G. H. Tenney and Mrs. W. A. Russell were sworn as tellers by the town clerk.

The moderator stated that as it took a two-thirds vote to pass the article at the annual meeting, it would take a two-thirds vote to rescind at this meeting.

G. A. Proctor, J. E. Hughes, and R. B. Adams were placed on record protesting the moderator's ruling.

The checklists were used and the ballot taken with the following result:

Whole number of ballots cast	416
Necessary for two-thirds	278
Yes	248
No	168

As the result of the ballot failed to show the necessary two-thirds the moderator declared that the motion to rescind was lost.

Art. 2. To see if the town will vote to rescind its action taken at the annual town meeting held March 6, 1922, whereby it voted, in substance, that A. D. Bagley, W. F. Rockwood, H. B. Boynton and John Bacon, together with the school committee, constitute a school-house building committee.

After some discussion a motion to adjourn was made and carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 5.50 P. M.

TIMOTHY E. FLARITY,  
Moderator.

A true record.

Attest: F. J. Piper,  
Town Clerk.

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### SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, OCTOBER 14, 1922

Agreeably to the warrant a special town meeting was held on the above date at 2 o'clock P. M.

The meeting was called to order by the moderator, T. E. Flarity, and the warrant read by the town clerk.

At this time Mrs. James H. Bennett, in behalf of Mrs. James Wooley, presented the town a United States flag, the flag to be displayed at all times in Memorial hall. It was unanimously voted to accept the gift and a rising vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. Wooley for her kindness and generosity.

The clerk was instructed to write Mrs. Wooley a letter, extending to her the thanks of the town, and its hearty appreciation of the gift.

Article 1. Under this article the following sums were appropriated for the several departments as follows:

Assessors	\$ 25 00
Treasurer's Expense	50 00
Memorial Hall	150 00
Police Department	250 00
Bridges	300 00
Town Home	300 00
Outside Relief	1,000 00
School Purposes	900 00
	<hr/> \$2,975 00

Art. 2. On motion of G. H. Tenney voted that the selectmen be instructed to pay to Mr. G. L. Baldwin the sum of \$797.52 for settlement in full of Mr. Baldwin's claim for damages on account of his accident at the Witch Brook bridge.

Art. 3. Voted that a committee of three be appointed to investigate as to the advisability of the town carrying liability insurance on transportation of school children, the committee to report at the next annual town meeting. G. L. Whitcomb, J. E. Hughes and F. H. Ormsby were appointed as that committee.

Art. 4. Voted to accept from Mrs. Mary F. Davis, the sum of \$100.00 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of John Davis lot in the West Townsend cemetery.

Art. 5. Voted to accept from the estate of John N. Going the sum of \$200.00 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Eliab Going lot in the Center cemetery.

Art. 6. Voted to accept from the estate of Justin C. Hodgman the sum of \$100.00 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Benjamin Hodgman lot in the West Townsend cemetery.

Art. 7. Voted to accept from the estate of Ellen S. Estes the sum of \$75.00, and from Mrs. Harry P. Streeter the sum of \$25.00 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Eben Estes lot in the Center cemetery.

Art. 8. Voted to accept from the estate of Ellen S. Estes the sum of \$25.00, and from Mrs. Harry P. Streeter the sum of \$25.00 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of Lot No. 11 in the Center cemetery, known as the Fred A. Estes lot.

Art. 9. Voted to defer action on this article until some future meeting as the sum named (\$25.00) was not considered enough for the perpetual care of the lot mentioned.

Art. 10. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the purpose of extending the electric lighting system on Highland street.

Voted that the new flag presented by Mrs. James Wooley be hung in the opposite corner from where the service flag now hangs.

Voted to adjourn. Meeting closed at 3.35 P. M.

TIMOTHY E. FLARITY,  
Moderator.

A true record.

Attest: Frederick J. Piper,  
Town Clerk.

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### REPORT OF DOG LICENSES

Paid to the county treasurer as per receipts, \$381.00.

Number of dogs licensed:

116 Male at \$2.00	\$232 00
28 Female at \$5.00	140 00
21 Spayed at \$2.00	42 00

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165	\$414 00
Clerk's Fees, 20c each	33 00

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Paid County Treasurer

\$381 00

## REPORT OF HUNTING LICENSES

107 Resident Combination at \$2.00 each	\$214 00	
28 Resident Hunting and Trapping, \$1.50	42 00	
44 Resident Fishing, \$1.00	44 00	
5 Non-Resident Fishing, \$2.00	10 00	
1 Alien Fishing	2 00	
15 Minor Trapping	3 75	
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200		\$315 75
Less Clerk's Fees, 15c each		30 00
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Paid Division Fisheries and Game		\$285 75

FREDERICK J. PIPER,  
Town Clerk.

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NOTICE

All persons are respectfully requested to examine the following reports of birth, marriages and deaths, and report to the town clerk any errors or omissions that may be found therein, so that the records may be corrected. Any error in the record, other than a mistake in copying a certificate or return, can be corrected only in accordance with a disposition under oath, made by one who was required by law to furnish the information for the original record, or by three or more credible persons having a knowledge of the case. (See Revised Laws, Chapter 29, Sections 9 and 16.)

The town clerk hereby gives notice that he is prepared to furnish parents, householders, physicians, and mid-wives, applying therefor, with blanks for return of births as required by law.

FREDERICK J. PIPER,  
Town Clerk.



## Births Registered in the Town

No.	Date	Full Name of Child	Name of Father
1	Dec. 30 1921	Helen Virginia Murphy	Walter M. Murphy
2	Jan. 8 1922	John Rich, Jr.	John C. Rich
3	Feb. 4	Robert Michael Ettleson	Michael Ettleson
4	Mar. 9	Ruth Madeline Powell	George V. Powell
5	Mar. 23	Franklin Robert Terrell	Howard A. Terrell
6	Mar. 23	Lillian Etta Fagan	Charles E. Fagan
7	Mar. 25	Erro Edwin Kalio	William Kalio
8	May 4	Donald Earl Temple	Joseph L. Temple
9	May 11	Jessie Emma Ross	Fred Ross
10	May 27	Richard Carral Liddell	Charles Liddell
11	June 3	Richard Hamilton	Foster G. Hamilton
12	June 16	Ruth Eleanor Elliott	Warren E. Elliott
13	June 16	Evelyn Bernice Elliott	Warren E. Elliott
14	June 16	Mildred Clara Elliott	Warren E. Elliott
15	July 3	Betty Josephine Johnson	John S. Johnson
16	July 12	Clyde Edward Smith	Vernon W. Smith
17	July 24	Charlotte B. Keefe	Richard A. Keefe
18	Aug. 17	Mary Waitt	Ralph J. Waitt
19	Aug. 24	Dorothy Ellen Estes	Gilbert P. Estes
20	Aug. 28	Nancy Dobson Rand	Stillman S. Rand
21	Sept. 3	Henry James Thatcher	Hugh R. Thatcher
22	Sept. 3	Ruth Goen	Ernest E. Goen
23	Sept. 8	Tauno Mathias Keurulainen	John Keurulainen
24	Sept. 13	(Stillborn)	Arthur H. Parsons
25	Sept. 27	(Stillborn)	Fred Prevost
26	Oct. 10	Katherine Mildred Hadley	Elliott C. Hadley
27	Nov. 1	Chester Orin Shaw	Chester O. Shaw
28	Nov. 3	Theresa Marie Funaiole	Albert E. Funaiole
29	Dec. 12	William Harold Greenough	Elcony G. Greenough
30	Dec. 12	Martha Louise Brooks	Edward H. Brooks
31	Dec. 20	Mildred Mary Pippin	Alexander Pippin
32	Feb. 26	Harold Raymond Conner	Edmund L. Conner



## of Townsend for the Year 1922

Full Name of Mother	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Hazel B. Ballou	Student	Manchester, N. H.	Townsend, Mass.
Nancy Grant	Salesman	Chicago, Ill.	Townsend, Mass.
Louise E. Whitcomb	Dentist	Patterson, N. J.	Townsend, Mass.
Flora C. Stewart	Cooper	Townsend, Mass.	Townsend, Mass.
Lillian M. Tumber	Laborer	Fitchburg, Mass.	Danbury, Conn.
Mildred I. Spofford	Cooper	Boston, Mass.	Medway, Mass.
Emma Pummala	Farmer	Finland	Finland
Jennie Robbins	Steamfitter	Malden, Mass.	Ayer, Mass.
Jessie E. Keynon	Sawyer	Birmingham, Eng.	Newton, Mass.
Myrtle A. Marshall	Clerk	Boston, Mass.	Townsend, Mass.
Florence E. Kaddy	Cooper	Ayer, Mass.	Kentville, N. S.
Ethel F. Hill	Engineer	Ashburnh'm, Mass.	Epping, N. H.
Ethel F. Hill	Engineer	Ashburnh'm, Mass.	Epping, N. H.
Ethel F. Hill	Engineer	Ashburnh'm, Mass.	Epping, N. H.
Mabel I. Stewart	Stave Sawyer	Finland	Townsend, Mass.
Laura E. Whitney	Machinist	Cambridge, Mass.	Lunenburg, Mass.
Charlotte B. Hobart	Machinist	Townsend, Mass.	Mason, N. H.
Mary E. Dodge	Machinist	Boston, Mass.	Brookline, N. H.
Lillian D. Blanchard	Laborer	Townsend, Mass.	Springfield, Me.
Helen R. Dobson	Salesman	Newton, Mass.	Chicago, Ill.
Carrie M. Dorr	Machinist	England	Roxbury, Mass.
Louise Arlin	Engineer	New Ipswich, N.H.	Townsend, Mass.
Marie Hautimaki	Farmer	Finland	Finland
Mabel C. McLane	Station Agent	Lyndon, Vt.	Somerville, Mass.
Grace M. Capper	Station Agent	Prescott, Ont.	Brockville, Ont.
Mary E. O'Brien	Laborer	Boston, Mass.	Pawtucket, R. I.
Florence M. Shaw	Laborer	Fitchburg, Mass.	Newburypt, Mass.
Avis J. Ide	Grocer & Butcher	Italy	Fitchburg, Mass.
Elvira Greene	Laborer	Nova Scotia	Lunenburg, Mass.
Esther A. Trenholm	Engineer	London, England	Somerville, Mass.
Olivia Hayes	Stave Sawyer	Shirley, Mass.	Boston, Mass.
Susie Eleanor Gagnon	Mason	Cambridge, Mass.	Arlington, Mass.

## Marriages Registered in the Town

No.	Date and Place of Marriage	Name of Groom and Bride	Age	Residence	Occupation
1	Feb. 4 Leominster	Alexander Peppin Ollivia M. Hayes	37 17	Townsend, Mass. Leominster, Mass.	Stave Sawyer Housekeeper
2	Feb. 26 Townsend	Willard H. Johnson Philomene Chapman	26 23	Townsend, Mass. Dunstable, Mass.	Millhand Teacher
3	March 4 Townsend	Winthrop F. Harley Sarah A. Moulton	28 19	Lunenburg, Mass. Townsend, Mass.	Carpenter At Home
4	March 11 Townsend	Charles A. Laws Hilja M. Syvaaja	38 20	Townsend, Mass. Townsend, Mass.	Teamster At Home
5	March 18 Fitchburg	John W. Whitman Selma M. Lehto	23 23	Townsend, Mass. Fitchburg, Mass.	Farmer Housework
6	March 25 Charlestown	Ernest E. Goen Louise Arlin	35 24	New Ipswich, N. H. Townsend, Mass.	Fireman At Home
7	June 1 Lunenburg	George Valcourt Helen Wornham	29 30	Townsend, Mass. Lunenburg, Mass.	Teamster At Home
8	June 16 Townsend	Donald A. Mackay Anna W. Witham	29 24	Passaic, N. J. Townsend, Mass.	Salesman At Home
9	June 17 Ayer	Richard B. Craft Florabelle Adams	23 21	Ayer, Mass. Townsend, Mass.	Laborer Housework
10	June 29 Townsend	Harold B. Swicker Helen G. Whitcomb	24 24	Richmond, Me. Townsend, Mass.	Teacher Teacher
11	July 26 Townsend	Harold N. Wood Georgianna I. McKean	28 30	Haverhill, Mass. Townsend, Mass.	Manager Teacher
12	July 26 Concord	Albert T. Austin Ethel M. Cooper	59 32	Townsend, Mass. Townsend, Mass.	Laborer Housework
13	Aug. 30 Lancaster	Samuel H. Scales Lydia M. Langley	59 28	Townsend, Mass. Lancaster, Mass.	Farmer Housework
14	Nov. 25 Worcester	Adolph B. Pearson Ida C. Olson	37 43	Townsend, Mass. Townsend, Mass.	Stonecutter Housework

## of Townsend for the Year 1922

Place of Birth	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	By Whom Married
Townsend Leominster	Joseph Peppin Harry C. Hayes	Mary Allen Samantha J. Wallace	Rev. James D. Hull Leominster, Mass.
Worcester Dunstable	Louis Johnson Frank Chapman	Eva Ballikangoes Elizabeth B. Blood	Rev. Joseph McKean Townsend, Mass.
Lunenburg Townsend	Henry A. Harley Charles E. Moulton	Mary F. Hadley Mary Burke	Rev. Joseph McKean Townsend, Mass.
Townsend Fitchburg	Byron H. Laws Alexander Syvaaja	Hattie M. Hobart Hilma Hakala	F. J. Piper, Justice of the Peace, Towns'd
New York Finland	Harry Whitman Matti Lehto	Anna Manning Selma Maki	John Sevoid, Justice of Peace, Fitchb'g
N. Ipswich, N.H. Townsend	Andrew Goen John A. Arlin	Alice A. Dix Ellen Drumm	Rev. E. M. Stowe Charlestown
Lawrence Sanford, Me.	Joseph Valcourt Frank Wornham	Mary Russell Ester Hoon	Rev. W. T. Hale Lunenburg, Mass.
Passaic, N. J. Wollaston	Donald G. Mackay Robert B. Witham	Jennie Knowles Anna Witham	Rev. E. A. Chase Beverly, Mass.
Concord, Mass. Brookline, N.H.	James Craft Elbridge H. Adams	Lydia M. White Mary E. Selkirk	Rev. W. J. Kelly Ayer, Mass.
Barton, N. H. Townsend	Joshua A. Swicker George L. Whitcomb	Myra T. Richards Emma S. Wyeth	Rev. A. L. Struthers Townsend, Mass.
Carthage, N. Y. Winchendon	William O. Wood Joseph McKean	Susan M. Rice Ida E. Coombs	Rev. Joseph McKean Townsend, Mass.
Mason, N. H. Jefferson, Me.	George Austin Freeman F. Peasley	Eliza Creighton Amy L. Sidelinger	Rev. A. W. Stone Concord, Mass.
Townsend Danvers	Alonzo Scales Hollis A. Langley	Sarah J. Hildreth Harriet Dean	J. C. L. Clark, Justice of Peace, Lancaster
Sweden Sweden	Gustaf Pearson Olaf Olson	Cecelia Swanson Anna Peterson	Rev. E. S. Dahl Worcester, Mass.

## Deaths Registered in the Town

No.	Date	Name	Age			Cause of Death
			Y.	M.	D.	
1	Jan. 5	Lucy A. Lawrence	80	3	8	Chronic heart disease
2	Jan. 14	Abel G. Stearns	83	3	28	Chronic myocarditis
3	Jan. 17	Henry E. Buckley	63	10	9	Cirrhosis of liver, dropsy
4	Jan. 17	Ada J. Farrar	46	3	5	Influenza pneumonia
5	Jan. 19	Albert H. Wilson	73		4	Influenza pneumonia
6	Jan. 27	Benjamin B. Spaulding	90		5	Chronic myocarditis
7	Feb. 5	Nancy J. Richards	18	2	17	Peritonitis pericarditis
8	Feb. 12	Ellen S. Estes	86	7	5	Chronic myocarditis
9	Feb. 6	Mary E. Baldwin	77	3	19	Paralysis
10	Mar. 3	Elvira Stearns	91	9	20	Arterio sclerosis
11	Mar. 8	Julia M. Phelps	46	8	16	Carcinoma
12	Apr. 2	William Koch	69	4	20	Chronic myocarditis
12	May 17	Emma A. Burlingame	75	10	26	Paralysis agitans
14	May 19	William A. Cooper	65		9	Chronic myocarditis
15	May 21	Harrison Bliss	30	6	7	Cardiac valvular disease
16	May 1	George A. Wright	64		20	Tuberculosis of lungs
17	June 16	Lillian E. Floyd	59	10	8	Heart disease
18	June 22	Justin C. Hodgman	79	4	3	Chronic heart disease
19	July 2	John R. Jones	33	11		Accidental drowning
20	July 9	Frank D. Parsons	61		8	Cancer of stomach
21	July 12	Charles W. Parker	88		17	Cystitis
22	July 17	Susan M. Phelps	62	6	20	Cancer of breast
23	July 25	Augustus A. Gerrish	70	4	7	Arterio sclerosis
24	July 31	Jennie W. Searls	75	7	30	Cerebral hemorrhage
25	Aug. 7	Clyde E. Smith			26	Lobar pneumonia
26	Aug. 19	Jennie E. Sawyer	71	5	7	Cerebral apoplexy
27	Sept. 13					Stillborn
28	Sept. 24	Ethel M. Austin	32	5		Acute endocarditis
29	Sept. 27					Stillborn
30	Oct. 3	Ellen C. Howard	61	7	16	Malignant tumor
31	Oct. 14	Erick G. Rehn	55	6		Pulmonary hemorrhage
32	Oct. 15	Winifred E. Farrar	47		13	Cavernous sinus thrombosis
33	Oct. 17	Ada P. Parsons	70			Cerebral hemorrhage
34	Nov. 9	Joseph F. Thompson	75		20	Pernicious anemia
35	Nov. 15	Harriet M. Scales	64	5	15	Cancer
36	Nov. 20	Delbert W. Farrar	46	6	22	Cardiac dilatation
37	Nov. 24	Lucy J. Lawrence	75	9	19	Chronic myocarditis
38	Dec. 22	Ellen M. Haynes	88	10		Chronic bronchitis
39	Dec. 26					Stillborn
40	Dec. 26	Evelyn B. Elliott		6	10	Acute broncho pneumonia
41	Dec. 30	John M. Coffey	86	6	13	Arterio sclerosis

## of Townsend for the Year 1922

Name of Parents	Place of Birth	Place of Burial
Elisha and Lydia (Crouch) Taylor Levi and Direxa (Jewett) Stearns Patrick and Margeret (Lyons) Buckley J. L. and Martha (Chaffin) Perry Franklin and Sarah (Angier) Wilson Benjamin and Milly Spaulding	Ashby, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Athol, Mass. Langdon, N. H. Townsend, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Groton, Mass. Shirley, Mass. Townsend, Mass. New York, N. Y. Athol, Mass. Manchester, N. H. Providence, R. I. Hollis, N. H. Groton, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Hydeville, Vt. Hudson, Me. Townsend, Mass. Shirley, Mass. Newburyport, Mass. Shirley, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Elliott, Me.	Ashby, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Keene, N. H. Townsend, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Fitchburg, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Providence, R. I. Tewksbury, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Arlington, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Shirley, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Fitchburg, Mass. Clinton, Mass.
Aaron and Sophia (Adams) Hildreth William & Frances R. (Kilbourn) Taylor Seth and Lucy Davis Simon and Mary (Greene) Francis Pierre and Dorothy Koch Charles and Mary (Hall) Gerry William K. and Sarah (Maxwell) Cooper Theodore H. & Caroline (Seagrave) Bliss Ezra and Nancy R. (Joyce) Wright Stephen and—Burgess Benjamin and Mary (Gilson) Hodgman John S. and Etta S. Jones Ira and Devinca (Dexter) Parsons Natnl. & Josephine (Weatherbee) Parker Steward P. & Presilla (Winslow) Phelps Mayo T. and Mary (Westlake) Gerrish Lewis and Matilda (Gleason) Searls Vernon W. and Laura E. (Whitney) Smith Gowen W. & Eliza A. (Stackpole) Johnson	Winslow Mills, Me.	Townsend, Mass.
Isaac and Amy (Sidlinger) Peaslee		
Warren & Ellen R. (Whittimore) Goodale Andrew and Eva (Hilberg) Rehn Fredck. E. & Julia A. (Fletcher) Robbins William and Emily (Orr) Parks Jos. and Mahitable (Densmore) Thomps'n Joseph and Elizabeth (Scales) Warner Daniel W. and Nancy A. (Piper) Farrar Parker and Minerva (Blood) Elliott Newman and—Haynes	Honolulu, Hawa'n Is Finland Greenville, N. H. Lynn, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Pepperell, Mass. Fitzwilliam, N. H. Mason, N. H. Townsend, Mass.	Townsend, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Townsend, Mass. Pepperell, Mass. Keene, N. H. Townsend, Mass. Townsend, Mass.
Warren 3 and Ethell (Hill) Elliott Thomas and Mary (Morris) Coffey	Townsend, Mass. Ireland	Townsend, Mass. Fitchburg, Mass.



## Deaths

Names of Persons Brought to Townsend for Burial 1922

No.	Month	Name	Place of Death
1	January	Fred D. Hall	Fitchburg, Mass.
2	February	Charles W. Frost	Concord, N. H.
3	April	Mary A. Hart	Boston, Mass.
4	June	Allan Cathcart	Lebanon, Maine
5	June	Dora W. Gleason	Upton, Mass.
6	July	Henry L. Nichols	York, Maine
7	August	Lucy E. Tyler	Peterborough, N. H.
8	August	George F. Lawton	Hudson, Mass.
9	October	Nancy E. Longley	Shirley, Mass.
10	November	Roger G. Evans	New Mexico
11	November	Catherine Spaulding	Fitchburg, Mass.
12	November	Charles W. Streeter	
13	November	Mildred M. Taylor	
14	December	John W. Bart	Nashua, N. H.
15	December	James W. Fessenden	Newton, Mass.



# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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## ORGANIZATION

### School Committee

Charles A. Packard

Term expires 1922

Dr. H. B. Boynton

Term expires 1922

Lyman Cook

Term expires 1924

Chairman, C. A. Packard  
Secretary and Superintendent  
John Bacon, Townsend

### Storm Signal

6.45 a. m. at West and 6.47 at Center and Harbor, no school  
for the day.

11.30, one session in all the schools.

12.30, no school in the afternoon.

Signal: Three blasts of the whistle, once repeated.

### School Hours

Center, 8.45 to 11.55 a. m. and 1.00 to 3.00 p. m.

West, 8.45 to 11.30 a. m. and 1.00 to 3.15 p. m.

Harbor, 8.45 to 12.00 a. m. and 1.00 to 3.15 p. m.

### Supervisor of Drawing

Julia S. Bailey, Lunenburg

Visits on Tuesdays.

### School Nurse

Visiting Nurse Association, Fitchburg

### School Physician

Dr. H. B. Boynton, West Townsend

### Attendance Officer

Henry Hathaway

### Janitors

Clarence Wyman, Center

Charles Hodgman, West Townsend

Minnie L. Knight, Harbor

## CALENDAR 1923

Tuesday, Jan. 2. Winter term begins.  
Thursday, Feb. 22. Washington's birthday.  
Friday, Feb. 23. Winter term ends.  
Monday, March 5. Second winter term begins.  
Thursday, April 19. Patriots' day.  
Friday, April 27. Second winter term ends.  
Monday, May 7. Spring term begins.  
Wednesday, May 30. Memorial day.  
Friday, June 15. Grades I to VI close.  
Wednesday, June 27. High school graduation.  
Thursday, June 28. High school closes.

Tuesday, Sept. 4. Schools open.  
Friday, Oct. 12. Columbus day.  
Thursday and Friday, Nov. 29-30. Thanksgiving recess.  
Friday, Dec. 21. Fall term ends.  
Monday, Dec. 31. Winter term begins.

## 1924

Tuesday, Jan. 1. New Year's day.  
Thursday, Feb. 21. Winter term ends.  
Monday, March 3. Second winter term begins.  
Friday, April 25. Second winter term ends.  
Monday, May 5. Spring term begins. :  
Friday, May 30. Memorial day.  
Friday, June 13. Grades I to VI close.  
Wednesday, June 25. High school graduation.  
Thursday, June 26. High school closes.  
Tuesday, Sept. 2. All schools open.  
Monday, Oct. 13. Columbus day.  
Thursday and Friday, Nov. 27 and 28. Thanksgiving recess.  
Dec. 19. Schools close.  
Dec. 29. Winter term begins.

Pupils may enter school in September if they will be six years of age before Jan. 1, following.

Children 14 years of age who have completed the sixth grade may secure labor certificates at the office of the superintendent of schools.

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

In many ways this has been a successful year. The schools were closed a few days because of the severe cold weather, and faulty heating plant, but for no other reasons. During the year closing last June the grades were in session 176 days which is next to the highest record ever made by our schools. The year closing June, 1921, was the record year with 179 days.

Although we spent more money on the schools than ever was spent before, owing to the large sum received from the state, the schools cost the taxpayers over \$1500 less this past financial year than they did the previous year.

Within the schools this has been a year of adjustment rather than of large changes. A year ago we inaugurated the six year high school which necessitated many important changes. We made but few at a time and gradually altered the program in a way that has caused no sudden breaks for any class. We have maintained the seventh and eighth grades at West Townsend, and have employed a special teacher there to teach French in order to give those pupils equivalent training to that given at the Center. One or two pupils from these grades at the West have attended the Center, and more may be given this privilege next year. Grades seven and eight have been removed from the Harbor school and the three pupils from these grades ride with the high school pupils to the Center.

During the last school year no teacher resigned, and we lost only four during the summer vacation. This record is as good as we can hope to maintain. With three exceptions all our teachers are college or normal graduates. Two of the exceptions are teachers of long and successful experience, and one has had two years of training beyond the high school. We must keep in mind that the teacher is the important factor, and without a strong teacher no school can be successful.

The legal requirements in regard to transportation often are misquoted. As far as the law applies to our town, it may be summed up in the following quotation. "If the distance between a child's residence and the school he is entitled to attend exceeds two miles, and the school committee declines to furnish transportation the (state) department upon appeal of the parent or guardian of the child may require the town to furnish the same for a part or for all the distance (1920.)"

The law appears to give the state department an opportunity to take into consideration the ability of the pupil to walk to school and the difficulties of transportation even though the pupil may live more than two miles from school. The department does not investigate if the distance is less than two miles.

The law does not define the age or grade of a "child", so high school "children" may demand transportation. This fact has been known the past two years, but in only one case in our town has a parent demanded transportation for high school hours.

I am told that the one session plan for our high school was adopted to accommodate pupils from Greenville, Mason and West Townsend in the days when pupils arrived on the 7 o'clock train and could return on an afternoon train. After the afternoon train was discontinued, the one session persisted and remained in great favor. Many parents hesitated about asking for transportation for fear the one session plan would be discarded.

A year ago when we inaugurated the six year high school, we added grades seven and eight on the high school hours. This year we were forced to have uniform hours for the grades and high school and drop the one session plan. The objections to the double session have been that pupils had less time for work at home or elsewhere afternoons, and that the long noon recess improperly supervised was objectionable. We have changed the noon recess to one hour instead of an hour and a half, and have tried to give closer supervision. All schools at the Center open at 8.45 and close at 3.00. With more rapid transportation some pupils are spending no more time away from home to attend the two sessions than they did formerly to attend one session.

The Parent-Teachers' Association, the local Red Cross and the M. E. Church have combined to care for the pupils at the Center during the noon hour. The first floor of the church is given to the pupils for a lunch room. The Red Cross supplies a paid helper to serve cocoa, and one of the teachers is present to supervise the room. Moving pictures have been provided several times and other forms of entertainment are planned for the near future. This warm room is open to the pupils for the entire hour, but it practically is deserted for outdoor amusements the second half hour. We appreciate the importance of this care during the noon recess when we know that from 85 to 100 pupils eat their lunches here every day.



We know that the recesses are the most dangerous periods of the day and yet they afford the best opportunities for character training under proper supervision. Some differences of opinion have existed as to the duties of teachers during the noon hour. Most teachers are willing to devote part of the hour to "police duty", and some take an active part at times on the playground. We need active leaders on the playground and we should be willing to pay for the service. We might give extra pay to those teachers who are especially competent in this line or if opportunity offers we might employ one or two leaders for the noon hour. The interest shown by the parents and others this year teaches us that they consider this service valuable, and will demand that suitable provision be made for a lunch room in the new school building.

The school committee invited the selectmen to meet with them Dec. 20, 1921, to look over the Center building and discuss the needs of the school. At this meeting the fact was presented that more rooms and better rooms had been needed several years, but action had been deferred on account of war conditions. It was decided to call a public meeting Jan. 10 at Memorial Hall to secure the opinions of interested citizens. This public meeting voted to ask for a special town meeting at which time a committee might be appointed with sufficient funds to investigate the need of room for the schools. This special town meeting was held Jan. 21. A committee of eight was voted to study the situation and report at the annual meeting in March. A. S. Howard, F. H. Ormsby, C. A. Packard, Walter F. Rockwood, Dr. A. J. Atwood, A. Dudley Bagley, J. E. Hughes, Dr. H. B. Boynton, and John Bacon were voted on this committee. This committee through its chairman, Mr. Howard, presented a printed report. They thought it inadvisable to remodel the old building at the Center and recommended a new building. The suggestions of this report were adopted and the town voted \$60,000 to build a new schoolhouse. The committee chosen and given power to purchase a site and build the building were: F. H. Ormsby, C. A. Packard, Lyman Cook, Dr. H. B. Boynton, Walter F. Rockwood, A. Dudley Bagley and John Bacon.

Upon request of the selectmen the legislature extended the town's borrowing capacity.

Before this building committee had decided on plans or employed an architect they learned that another town meeting was contemplated to rescind the vote to build. This town meeting was held

April 29. The vote to rescind stood 248 to 168, and the moderator declared the motion lost on the ruling that a two-thirds vote was required to rescind since a two-thirds vote was required on the original motion. The moderator's decision was questioned by many, so the building committee decided to await the decision of the courts on this question. With the characteristic delay of law the matter has not yet been presented to the court, but we are promised that it will be presented to the state supreme court next week. (Week of Jan. 28, 1923.)

The school building has been discussed thoroughly both in print and in town meetings. Perhaps I need not emphasize the fact that something should be done. The furnaces are in poor condition and should be replaced if we are to use the building many months longer. We have used the basement of the town hall since September as a primary school room and it has proved fairly satisfactory. I hope we may place at least one more teacher there next fall. If we may be given unlimited use of the town hall and M. E. church for school purposes we can proceed comfortably for a year or two without the new building.

For several years our high school has been ranked as Class B by the state department. After an inspection by the department last April, we attained the Class A rank. This is an advantage to our graduates entering normal school, and we may well be proud of the fact that the department recognizes a substantial improvement in our school. In order to maintain this rank the work of the school must be kept up to a satisfactory standard. One requirement is especially significant: **Not counting the principal**, we must have a teacher for every group of twenty-five high school pupils. That is, a school of 100 pupils must have four assistant teachers; a school of 125 pupils must have five assistant teachers. A very slight increase in our membership will require another teacher next year, and failure to provide one will again place our school in Class B.

We now receive state aid for our high school amounting to \$250 per teacher, including the principal. This is computed in proportion to the time each teacher devotes to the four upper classes. We recently received \$907 on this account. In order to receive this aid our high school teachers must all be approved by the state department. If one teacher fails to hold the state certificate, we lose the entire amount that year. It is possible that some years the committee



may prefer to lose the state aid rather than be restricted in the choice of teachers.

### TRANSPORTATION COST PER DAY

	Winter 1921-22	Spring 1922	Fall 1922	Winter 1923	Spring 1923 Pros- pective	No. of Pupils
Old City	\$ 3 00	\$ 3 00				
South Row	4 00	4 00	\$ 6 00	\$ 6 00	\$ 6 00	25
Caper Corner	4 00	4 00		4 00		17
Harbor to Center			5 00	2 50	5 00	12
Townsend Hill	3 50	3 50	6 00	6 00	6 00	15
Mason Road	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	12
Bayberry Hill	6 00	5 00				20
West to Center			7 00	7 00	7 00	18
Vinton Pond	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	3
Dudley—Winter route	2 00			2 00		7
Swinington—Winter route	2 00					
	<hr/> \$27 50	<hr/> \$22 50	<hr/> \$27 00	<hr/> \$30 50	<hr/> \$27 00	

High school pupils are transported the same as grade pupils. As shown by the table the routes added to accommodate high school pupils were the Harbor to Center and West to Center routes. The former is covered during good roads by the auto from Caper Corner on its way home after leaving grade pupils at the Harbor. The latter is an extension of the route from Bayberry Hill after leaving the grade pupils at West. It is impossible to compute the exact extra cost of transporting the high school pupils, but it may be estimated roughly at five dollars a day. During the fall term the payroll for transportation was \$4.50 a day more than it was last spring, and during the present winter term it is \$3.00 more than it was a year ago. The fact is striking that 51 pupils in the six year high school are accommodated by this transportation, and of this number 36 are in the four upper classes.

During the fall term four of our five routes were covered by automobiles in a very satisfactory manner. Now that we have learned

that the children need not be on the road a third of the time they formerly were in the horse-drawn vehicles, it is our duty to provide automobiles every week they are able to run.

Our town has set a good example in removing snow from the highways in winter. If equal progress is made the next few years autos may yet run on all our routes throughout the school year. For years certain farmers have insisted that the country schools be opened. In most cases this is not because of their faith in the rural school, but their dread of the transportation furnished. The solution of this problem does not lie in the opening of the rural schools, but in supplying good transportation. I believe the automobile will solve the problem for the fall and spring terms, and that good heated barges with open roads for the winter will remove the last objection to the consolidated school.

The train schedule was changed last year in a way that has made it difficult for supervisors to reach our town in time for a day's work in the schools. To add to this difficulty the salaries of supervisors are not counted in computing the amount of aid we are to receive from the general school fund. We have not employed a supervisor of music this year. The regular teachers have had charge of the music at the West and Harbor, and one of the high school assistants has taught all the music at the Center building. We were fortunate to secure a teacher for this position who had specialized in music and English. Each grade comes to her room for the music lesson while the grade teacher is assigned another class. This plan is more economical as there is only one teacher in any room at one time, but with a supervisor the grade teacher always was present. This teacher has been especially successful in the high school where she leads the singing at opening exercises and is present to create an interest in the glee club and music for special occasions.

On several occasions I have spoken of the distribution of the state funds. The general school fund is meant to encourage us to employ a sufficient number of teachers and to provide suitable transportation. Above a certain maximum this fund reimburses us for half the expenditure for transportation, and under certain conditions \$600 to \$700 for each additional teacher. With such a fund to call upon, we may easily improve our transportation and provide as many teachers as we need. I have shown that our increased cost of transportation is practically \$4.50 a day. The final cost to the town will be only half this amount or \$2.25 a day. I am enclosing a table that

shows how our state aid has increased from \$2,129 four years ago to \$8,377 expected this year.

	1919	1920	1921	1922	1923
General School					estimate
Fund, Pt. I \$	466.94	\$1,680.	\$2,179.80	\$2,150.	\$2,340.
General School					
Fund, Pt. II	1,037.06	2,952.	1,426.24	2,953.90	4,163.63
Supt. of Schools	625.	625.	966.67	966.67	966.67
High School Grant.				907.	907.
Totals . . .	\$2,129.	\$5,257.	\$4,572.71	\$6,977.57	\$8,377.30

The following are the amounts recommended the last two years by the committee to be raised by taxation, and the amounts actually expended from money so raised:

	Recommended	Expended
1921	\$21,678.00	\$21,712.00
1922	21,292.00	20,247.00
1923	21,700.00	
Estimated income:		
State Funds (See above)		\$8,377.00
Rent of Hall		125.00
Tuition		300.00
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		\$8,802.00
Total		\$30,500.00

The policy of turning the state aid into the general town fund instead of appropriating it to the support of schools as many towns do makes it necessary to write an explanation in order that the voters may know the actual cost of schools to the town. A few years ago certain state funds did not need to be appropriated as the law specified they must be used for schools, but the careless revision of the law a few years ago allowed this money to come to the towns without this specification. It can now be appropriated as the town decides. Perhaps this is as well, but the school committee should receive credit for a good showing in their accounts. The laws that provided these funds were made to encourage good schools, and if this money is not credited to the schools, the intent of the laws will be partially defeated.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN BACON,

Superintendent of Schools.

## ITEMIZED BUDGET PREPARED BY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Teachers and Supervisors	\$17,000 00
Superintendent	1,450 00
Books and Supplies	1,400 00
Repairs	500 00
Janitor Service	1,600 00
Transportation	5,200 00
Fuel	1,500 00
Office and Census	100 00
School Physician	100 00
New Equipment	400 00
Incidentals	300 00
Drinking Water	100 00
Insurance	175 00
School Nurse	300 00
Heat and Care of Town Hall	375 00
	<hr/> \$30,500 00

## REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

To the Superintendent of Schools,

Sir:

I hereby submit my fourth annual report.

## PERSONNEL: TEACHERS

We were fortunate this year in having less than the usual number of changes in our teaching staff. Miss Chadwick and Miss Townsend resigned at the end of the spring term. Miss Caroline E. Precious, an honor graduate of Boston University, is teaching the classes in English, formerly taught by Miss Townsend. In addition she is giving considerable time to music, for which last year there was no special teacher. Mr. Hodge, who remained with us and who is well versed in the classics, has taken over the Latin and History courses which had been taught by Miss Chadwick. The Mathematics given up by Mr. Hodge is being taught by Mr. Harry L. Peach, an alumnus of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He also teaches Chemistry. We are especially fortunate in regard to the latter subject as Mr. Peach is a chemist by training and experience. To Mrs. Brady



and to myself are assigned practically the same subjects which we had been teaching and which compose the remainder of the program inserted below.

### PERSONNEL: PUPILS

The following is the number of pupils by classes, as of December 1, 1922:

Seniors	10
Juniors	13
Sophomores	25
Freshmen	28
Eighth Grade	16
Seventh Grade	26

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Total	118
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Of the seniors three are spending their fifth year in school, through lack of interest, having failed in the work of the second year under the four-year plan. For similar reasons one junior is in his fifth year and one in his fourth, two sophomores are in their third year, and two freshmen are in their third and four in their second year. This amount of retardation is no greater than the average amount in other schools, but in most of these cases it was quite unnecessary. A consideration of each of the thirteen cases separately leads me to the belief that at the time of failure in school parental authority had become weakened or had never been particularly strong. Teachers do not have the time or the opportunity to become acquainted with the parents of all pupils. Therefore, report cards are issued five times each year, giving the parent information as to the scholastic and deportmental standing of the pupil. In case of low ranks, vigorous measures should be taken to secure greater effort on the part of the pupil. For all pupils proper conditions should be provided for home study. Certain hours should be provided for it and the pupil should be kept at home on evenings preceding school days. It has been found that evening entertainments, where substantial numbers of school pupils are present, and which have nothing to do with school, have been represented to parents as being school affairs. In case of doubt, parents will do well to get in touch with school authorities.



## BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT

The topic of the "Building" is a natural one to discuss in a report of this kind. But in the past year it has been quite thoroughly covered in official reports, town meeting debates, and in discussions on the street and in the home. It is enough for me to say that the rooms allotted to the high school are seriously overcrowded. Next year we shall attempt to accommodate approximately 124 pupils in quarters apparently designed for about 97. As to "Equipment", we have not the room to house more.

## ORGANIZATION

During the past year we co-ordinated the seventh and eighth grades more completely with the rest of the high school, making it a six-year high school. This arrangement is appropriate to any community which is able to accomplish it. It is difficult to attain in large communities as it makes the high school so large as to be unwieldy. In such places it is necessary to organize the school system into three departments, elementary schools, junior high schools, and the senior high school. This often means that education loses unity and continuity. Great care has to be exercised to prevent the demands of administration causing breaks in the education of the pupils. As the one break in our system, between the sixth and seventh grades, comes usually before the end of the age of compulsory attendance, we are able, to a great extent, to avoid the evil effects of any break in the system.

The co-ordination mentioned above has to a large extent been brought about by the use of the following program. Of course this program can be but partially effective as regards pupils who were in the school before reorganization. Especially must adjustments in connection with the requirements for promotion and graduation be made.

While discussing the program I would like to make mention of the number of pupils taking Latin, an elective subject. In past years but five or six pupils chose to begin Latin. This year, of fifty-nine pupils who were eligible to take first year Latin, forty-one chose to do so. Such a choice is to be commended. The number of words in the English language derived directly or indirectly from the Latin has been estimated as high as fifty or sixty per cent. Surely these pupils will by the study of Latin greatly enlarge their English vocabu-

laries. Importance may also be attached to the study of any foreign language because of the practice which it affords in relating words to the thought. "Terms in one language seldom have exact equivalents in any other language. Hence the interpretation of one language in terms of another involves a constant comparison and weighing of terms more or less similar, a selection and choice of the correct words to express the thought, and a judgment of the thought to be conveyed by the word or words employed. Consider the amount of comparison, discrimination, and choice involved in the translation of the Latin word *res* under varying conditions—thing, object, event, circumstances, occurrence, matter, condition, situation, act, property, factor, fact, reality, effect, substance, possession, benefit, profit, advantage, interest, weal, cause, reason, ground, account, business, case, suit, etc. Now, increased precision and accuracy in the use of language and thought must result . . . from practice in comparing, discriminating, and selecting the appropriate word for the desired thought element."\* Conditions for this sort of training may be amply provided in the study of Latin. For such reasons it is to be hoped that each of these forty-one pupils will continue his study of the Latin language through several years.

\*Inglis, *Principles of Secondary Education*, pp 465-466.

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## TOWNSEND HIGH SCHOOL

### School Program

#### DEFINITIONS

A SCHOOL PROGRAM consists of all the courses offered by a school.

A CURRICULUM consists of all courses taken by a pupil while in school.

A COURSE is the work of one year in a single subject.

A UNIT represents successful completion of a course in which classes meet five periods per week, and constitutes approximately one-fourth of a year's work.

A POINT is the equivalent of one-tenth of a unit.

## GENERAL EXPLANATIONS

The choice of courses for a given year must be approved by the parent or guardian and by the principal. A change may then be made only upon request of the parent or guardian, and with the consent of the principal.

If a pupil fails to do satisfactory work in a course, he may be required to drop it.

Unless a sufficient number of pupils choose an elective course the course may not be given.

In the following tables units are represented by Arabic numerals and points by Arabic numerals within parentheses. In unit courses credit will be allowed for marks of A (Excellent), B (Good), C (Fair), or D (Barely Passing). In point courses credit will be allowed for marks of A (Excellent) or B (Good.)

Mathematics I (Arithmetic and General Mathematics) will ordinarily be taken two years by each pupil, but pupils of more than the average mathematical ability may substitute Mathematics II (Algebra) for the second year of Mathematics I.

## PROMOTION AND GRADUATION

In order that a diploma may be granted courses aggregating 24 units, 23 units and 10 points, or 22 units and 20 points must be satisfactorily completed.

Points may be awarded for work of educational value done outside of school hours.

Social Science VI (American History since 1700) is required for graduation. It is given on alternate years and must be taken by all fifth and sixth year pupils when given.

To be promoted without condition a pupil must pass courses aggregating approximately 4 units per year.

Promotion on condition is permitted if a pupil has within one unit of the number he should have.

## COURSES

## First Year

## Required

English I	1½
Drawing	(2)
Mathematics IA (Arithmetic and General Mathematics)	1
Music	(1)
Physical Education	(2)
Social Science I (Correlated Geography, History, and Civics)	1

## Elective

French IA	½
General Science A	½

## Second Year

## Required

English II	1½
Mathematics IB (Arithmetic and General Mathematics) or Mathematics II (Algebra)	1
Physical Education	(2)
Social Science II (Correlated History and Civics)	1

## Elective

Drawing	(2)
French IA	½
French IB	½
General Science A	½
General Science B	½
Latin I	1
Music	(1)

## Third Year

## Required

English III	1
Physical Education	(2)

## Elective

Biology	1
Drawing	(2)
French I	1
French IB	½
French II	1
General Science B	½

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Latin I	1
Latin II (Caesar)	1
Mathematics II (Algebra)	1
Music	(1)
Social Science III (Community Civics)	1

## Fourth Year

## Required

English IV	1
Physical Education	(2)

## Elective

Biology	1
Drawing	(2)
French I	1
French II	1
French III	1
Latin I	1
Latin II (Caesar)	1
Latin III (Cicero) or Latin IV (Vergil)	1
Mathematics II (Algebra)	1
Mathematics III (Plane Geometry)	1
Music	(1)
Social Science IV (History to about 1700) or Social Science V (European History since 1700)	1

## Fifth Year

## Required

English V	1
Physical Education	(2)

## Elective

Chemistry or Physics	1
Drawing	(2)
French I	1
French II	1
French III	1
Latin I	1
Latin II (Caesar)	1
Latin III (Cicero) or Latin IV (Vergil)	1
Mathematics III (Plane Geometry)	1
Mathematics IV (Intermediate Algebra and Solid Geometry)	1



Music	(1)
Social Science IV (History to about 1700) or Social Science V (European History Since 1700)	1
Social Science VI (American History since 1700)* or Social Science VII (Problems of American Democracy)	1

## Sixth Year

## Required

English VI	1
Physical Education	(2)

## Elective

Chemistry or Physics	1
Drawing	(2)
French II	1
French III	1
Latin II (Caesar)	1
Latin III (Cicero) or Latin IV (Vergil)	1
Mathematics IV (Intermediate Algebra and Solid Geometry)	1
Music	(1)
Social Science IV (History to about 1700) or Social Science V (European History since 1700)	1
Social Science VI (American History since 1700)* or Social Science VII (Problems of American Democracy)	1

\*Required for graduation.

## IMPORTANT RESULTS OF REORGANIZATION

A study of the above program shows that promotion by subject is allowed for seventh and eighth grade pupils. Under the old system a pupil who was successful in some subjects and who failed in others was required to repeat the whole year's work. Now he must repeat only the work in which he failed. This results in economy of time for the pupil and in economy of money for the taxpayer. A similar economy of time may be accomplished by allowing the bright pupil to take more than the ordinary amount of work and to complete his high school course early.

The program also recognizes individual differences among seventh and eighth grade pupils. Under the old plan all pupils were obliged to study the same subjects. At present the seventh grade pupil is given one option. Freedom of choice increases as he becomes

older, more experienced, and more capable of choosing. He has opportunity to explore several branches to see where he fits. He gets more of a basis for making his selections in the later years of his course.

From the first the new system provided conditions for better teaching. In my last report I discussed the beneficial effects of departmentalization of instruction. Now we find an additional advantage which results, especially in the instruction of the freshman class, through the teachers' knowledge of what has been taught in the seventh and eighth grades.

Departmentalization has increased the socializing opportunities through bringing the seventh or eighth grade pupil in contact with a greater number of teachers, each of whom should bring him something which a single personality cannot offer. We have a larger proportion of men teachers than the elementary school is able to attract, thus furnishing a more normal social environment which is too important to be ignored.

### MISCELLANEOUS

These reforms and benefits have been obtained from within through the process of reorganization. Help from without in providing more room for the school and more teacher-time would enable us to secure other improvements, among them better teaching of the courses which involve laboratory work (Physics, Chemistry, Biology, and General Science), better discipline and more effective teaching in classes which now must meet in over-crowded rooms, supervised study, better supervision of social and athletic activities, and better physical training and care.

This report would not be complete without mention that in the past year the State Board of Education raised the school from "Class B" to "Class A" for the purpose of certificating graduates to state normal schools. The agent of the board expressed himself as being satisfied with the personnel and organization of the school. He understood that a new building was to be erected. It is doubtful if we shall be allowed to remain in "Class A" if the new building or some arrangement does not give us more space per pupil.

The school has remained on the approved lists of the New England College Entrance Certificate Board, University of Maine, and New Hampshire College. I have been asked if the school is on Har-

vard's approved list. Harvard has no such list. Admission to Harvard College may be secured only by examination. The same is true at Yale, Columbia, Radcliffe and several other colleges.

The following programs and tables are inserted in order that they may be permanently recorded.

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I

## SECOND ANNUAL ELOCUTIONARY CONTEST

TOWNSEND HIGH SCHOOL

MEMORIAL HALL

Friday Evening, April 21, 1922

Piano Solo

Madelyn Ross

### Original Declamation

- |   |   |                                  |
|---|---|----------------------------------|
| 1 | "Finland"   | Irja A. Bergsten, Freshman Class |
| 2 | "The Value of Supervised Recreation in High School" | Louise Drake, Senior Class       |
| 3 | "A Water System for Townsend"                       | Wesley Hodge, Junior Class       |
| 4 | "Why Townsend Needs a Gymnasium"                    | Mollie Reynolds, Sophomore Class |
|   | Piano Solo  | Florence M. Misner               |

### Forensic Declamation

- |   |   |                  |
|---|---|------------------|
| 1 | "The Venezuelan Question"                                 | Schurz           |
|   | Roy E. Brown, Sophomore Class                             |                  |
| 2 | "Ulysses"   | Tennyson         |
|   | F. Adeline Conant, Freshman Class                         |                  |
| 3 | President Harding's Address at the Disarmament Conference |                  |
|   | Hazel M. Farrar, Junior Class                             |                  |
| 4 | "Our Responsibilities as a Nation"                        | Roosevelt        |
|   | Ralph D. Marshall, Senior Class                           |                  |
| 5 | Polonius' Speech, from Hamlet                             | Shakespeare      |
|   | Phyllis Ormsby, West Townsend School                      |                  |
| 6 | "Woman's Right to Suffrage"                               | Anthony          |
|   | Alma V. Warren, Eighth Grade                              |                  |
|   | Piano Solo  | Esther M. Nelson |

## Miscellaneous Declamation

1	"Lasca"	Helen B. Cook, Junior Class	Deprez
2	"The Tale of the Ancient Mariner"	Daniel B. Ormsby, Senior Class	Osborne
3	"How He Saved St. Michael's"	Curtis Richards, West Townsend School	Anonymous
4	"The Light on Deadman's Bar"	Hester M. Russell, Sophomore Class	Rexford
5	"Blueberries"	Helen E. Stuart, Freshman Class	Frost
6	"The Highwayman"	Lillian M. Swicker, Eighth Grade	Noyes
Trio—Violin, Cornet and Piano			
Mabel E. Clement, Albert E. Cowland and C. Elma Prevost			

## AWARD OF PRIZES

## Original Declamation

First Prize, Gold Medal	Louise Drake, Senior Class
Second Prize, Silver Medal	Irja A. Bergsten, Freshman Class

## Forensic Declamation

First Prize, Gold Medal	Hazel M. Farrar, Junior Class
Second Prize, Silver Medal	Phyllis Ormsby, West Townsend School

## Miscellaneous Declamation

First Prize, Gold Medal	Hester M. Russell, Sophomore Class
Second Prize, Silver Medal	Helen B. Cook, Junior Class

## Board of Judges

Mr. Dudley L. Whitmarsh, Pepperell	
Mrs. Evelyn L. Warren, Townsend	
Rev. Alfred L. O'Brien, Townsend	

## II

## PRIZE SPEAKING ACCOUNT

## Receipts

Admissions	\$21 35
Sale of Candy	6 68
John H. Bachelder	4 65
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	\$32 68



	Expenditures	
Medals	\$29 43	
Expenses, Mr. Whitmarsh	2 50	
Rent of Hall	75	
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		\$32 68

## III

## GRADUATION EXERCISES

TOWNSEND HIGH SCHOOL

Memorial Hall

Wednesday, June 28, 1922

8 o'clock P. M.

"Labor Conquers All Things"

## PROGRAM

Selection	Orchestra
Invocation	Rev. Alfred L. O'Brien
Salutatory and Essay—"Our Unused White Coal"	Daniel Byther Ormsby
Class History	Louise Drake
Essay—"The Need of Domestic Training"	Marjorie Della Heselton
Selection	Orchestra
Class Prophecy	Ralph Devereux Marshall
Essay—"The Next War"	Charles Homan Reynolds
Essay—"Intercollegiate Athletics"	Wendell Burnham Cook
Class Ode	Ernest Edward Barnes
Essay—"The Effect of Environment on Our Lives"	Gertrude Eleanor Leeman
Essay—"Opportunities in the Teaching Profession"	Ruby Lena Elliott
Class Will	Louise Drake
Selection	Orchestra
Essay—"Superstitions"	Eleanor Rockwood Litch
Valedictory and Essay—"Our National Capital"	William Albert Russell, Jr.
Selection	Orchestra
Presentation of Diplomas	
Mr. Albert S. Howard, former Chairman of the School Committee	



Benediction

Rev. Alfred L. Struthers

Informal Reception

Music by the Townsend Orchestra

## GRADUATES

Ernest Edward Barnes

Eleanor Rockwood Litch

Wendell Burnham Cook

Ralph Devereux Marshall

Louise Drake

Daniel Byther Ormsby†

Ruby Lena Elliott‡

Charles Homan Reynolds

Marjorie Della Heselton

William Albert Russell, Jr.\*§

Gertrude Eleanor Leeman

\*First Honor. †Second Honor. ‡Prize for Excellence in Biology.

§Medal for Excellence in American History.

## IV

## SPECIAL HONOR LIST

The following pupils attained an average rank of 95 or better during the school year, 1921-1922:

- |                     |                           |
|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 Irja A. Bergsten  | 5 William A. Russell, Jr. |
| 2 Persis Ormsby     | 6 Hazel M. Farrar         |
| 3 Hester M. Russell | 7 Florence M. Higgins     |
| 4 Helen B. Cook     |                           |

## HONOR LIST

The following pupils attained an average rank of 90 or better during the school year, 1921-1922:

- |                      |                     |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Pearl A. Russell   | 7 Gertrude A. Mead  |
| 2 F. Adeline Conant  | 8 Janet M. Clark    |
| 3 Wendell B. Cook    | 9 Walter Leppanen   |
| 4 Lillian M. Swicker | 10 Leslie T. Miller |
| 5 Mollie Reynolds    | 11 Leona R. Gilbert |
| 6 Daniel B. Ormsby   |                     |

## V

## PERFECT ATTENDANCE

The following pupils were not absent or tardy during the school year, 1921-1922:

Name	Date of Last Absence or Tardiness
Hazel M. Farrar	April 4, 1918
Gertrude A. Mead	February 24, 1921
Ralph Miller	May 13, 1920
Lillian M. Swicker	June 16, 1921

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN H. BACHELDER,

Principal.

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## REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING

To Mr. John Bacon, Superintendent of Schools, Townsend, Mass.

Dear Sir:—As for the past few years, I have given one day per week to the Townsend schools. The schedule used in the fall of 1921 was continued from January through June in 1922. The change in sessions at the high school and the additional room at the Town Hall made a change in schedule necessary. The morning session of each Tuesday is given to the schools at the Center. The first period of forty minutes is given to the grades below the seventh, and enables me to visit each grade, or room, once in three weeks. The second period is given to the seventh and eighth grades together. They should have two periods each, every week.

The recess period is spent in putting away seventh and eighth grade material and in getting out high school material. Most of these materials are kept in a closet in the girls' high school entry, while the room used for drawing is the seventh and eighth grade room. This room needs closet space and larger desks if it is to be used for drawing.

The next two periods are given to high school pupils, at the present time, twenty-nine in all. This is a crowded period, as there are pupils in at least four divisions of mechanical drawing and a group of pupils of widely varying ability and experience which I try to keep on the same project. Some of these pupils are present the first period, some the second, and some both, making necessary the repetition of teaching and instruction causing confusion and delay. Nevertheless we make some progress and the pupils who elect drawing, being in the main sincere and faithful, learn to help themselves.

The afternoon session of Tuesday is given to the West and the Harbor schools in the proportion of three to one. Since it seems desirable that I should teach as well as supervise, I teach two classes each afternoon that I am at the West school and the whole school in two groups at the Harbor school.

The work done in the grades is planned and put in typed form in the hands of the teachers. These, with many illustrations and examples which I show to teachers and pupils, help to carry on the work.

The general scope of the work in drawing in the grades is lettering, design, pictorial drawing, imaginative and directed observation, and elementary paper folding and construction. These are made to center around the activities of the child in ordinary living and seasonal play.

The high school problems are the usual problems, projections and developments of mechanical drawing and drawing applied to special projects such as house planning and furnishing in the freehand division. Some who are motor-minded may take applied design, such as the making of Christmas gifts, leather work, etc., while others who intend going to normal school prefer to take straight drawing, reviewing fundamental principles.

This class need more time and a larger opportunity. It might be given by putting in an extra day of drawing or by putting in manual training and letting the manual training teacher teach two classes of boys in mechanical drawing, while the drawing supervisor teaches the girls. The latter is the way it is done in West Boylston, one of my other four towns.

Transportation of supervisors and the school nurse; a possible change of day to make a combination early trip from Fitchburg is something which might be considered at this time when storms and snow make transportation hard. But that is, perhaps, a personal matter and may be considered elsewhere.

I count it our good fortune that we have retained most of our old grade teachers, and that they together with the new, enter into the spirit of the drawing and art work, and thus make it a success.

Respectfully submitted,

JULIA SAWYER BAILEY,

Supervisor of Drawing.

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REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

To the Superintendent of Schools, Townsend, Mass.

I herewith submit my report as school physician. I have examined 346 pupils. 117 pupils have enlarged tonsils and adenoids. 135 pupils with defective teeth. I also found a few cases of acne. I have made 15 emergency calls at the schools and also treated a number of pupils at the office.

Respectfully submitted,

H. B. BOYNTON,  
School Physician.

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## REPORT OF ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Townsend, Mass., Jan. 20, 1923.

To the School Committee of the Town of Townsend:

Gentlemen:—I beg leave to report the following as attendance officer for the year ending 1922:

Number of cases brought to my attention	21
Truant	12
Unruly at school	4
Other reasons	5
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Total	21

Respectfully,

H. B. HATHAWAY,  
Attendance Officer.

## TEACHERS IN TOWNSEND FOR THE YEAR 1922-1923

School	Teacher	Training	Year Graduated	Years Previous Experience	Salary Per Week	Home Address
High	John H. Bachelder	N. H. State	'12	8	\$50.00	Townsend
	Marie LeGuern Brady	Ecole Normale de Rennes	'11	8	32.50	Townsend
	Carolyn Precious	Boston University	'22	0	30.00	Forge Village
	Harry L. Peach	M. I. T.	'18	0	30.00	Malden
	William Hodge	Boston University	'99	7	30.00	Townsend
Intermediate A. Intermediate B.	Clara A. Craig	Townsend		34	27.00	Townsend
	Grace Beverly	Johnston Normal, Vt.	'20	2	25.00	Lawrence
Primary B.	Eoline Bent	Fitchburg Normal	'22	0	23.00	Ashby
Primary A.	Helen S. Large	Leslie Kinderg'ten	'21	1	25.00	West Mansfield
Grammar—West	Ellen K. Harvey	Fitchburg Normal	'09	1	28.50	Townsend Harbor
Intermediate A.—West	Beth Heald	Methuen High		2	23.68	Pratt
Intermediate B.	Emma R. Litch	Fitchburg Normal		6	26.50	Townsend
Primary	Loretta Lynch	Fitchburg Normal	'21	1	25.00	Fitchburg
Harbor	Edna L. Bray	Fitchburg Normal	'03	20	27.00	Townsend
Drawing	Julia S. Bailey	Mass. Normal Art		17	8.00	Lunenburg
French Class	Daniel Ormsby	Townsend High	'22	0	4.50	West Townsend



School	Enrollment Boys	Enrollment Girls	Total	Average Attendance	Average Mem- bership	Per Cent	Tardy
High	57	54	111	92.10	99.13	92.91	760
John H. Bachelder, Marie Le Guern Brady, Doris M. Townsend, Doris Chadwick, Wm. Hodge							
Intermediate A—Center	21	33	54	40.68	44.57	91.27	90
Clara A. Craig							
Intermediate B—Center	28	20	48	37.28	40.55	91.00	83
Grace M. Beverly							
Primary A—Center							
Marion Crosswell							
Primary B—Center	24	25	49	36.47	40.49	90.00	51
Helen S. Large							
Grammar—West	12	6	18	13.98	15.19	92.04	39
Ellen K. Harvey							
Intermediate A—West, 5 and 6	12	14	26	23.60	25.43	92.77	68
Vera M. Roche							
Intermediate B—West, 3 and 4	11	19	30	25.47	27.52	92.55	82
Emma R. Litch							
Primary—West, 1 and 2	15	16	31	36.74	30.00	89.15	51
Loretta C. Lynch							
Harbor							
Edna L. Bray	17	9	26	16.43	18.30	89.78	42

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## REPORT OF TREASURER OF HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Sept. 1, 1921, cash on hand	\$34 21	
Guarantees paid for out of town games	169 65	
Admissions at Games	290 25	
Season Tickets	10 00	
Ladies' Home Journal, commission	26 00	
Extra Passengers on Busses	2 75	
Dues, T. H. S. A. A.	29 62	
Sale of Equipment	10 25	
Contributions	7 80	
	<hr/>	\$580 53

### Payments

Transportation	\$193 30	
Visiting Teams	161 73	
Printing	13 35	
Equipment	54 65	
Rent of Hall	58 00	
Clothing	38 90	
Police	6 50	
Postage and Telephone	5 88	
Express	58	
Kerosene	1 60	
Balance on hand June 26, 1922	46 04	
	<hr/>	\$580 53

## TOWNSEND HIGH SCHOOL PIANO FUND

### Receipts

Parent-Teachers' Association, June 8, 1920, A. S. Howard, President	\$50 00
Sons of Veterans, June 24, 1920, C. B. Willard, Treasurer	10 00
T. H. S. Girls' Athletic Association, June 30, 1920, Miss M. A. Adams, Treasurer	25 00
T. H. S. Class 1920, Sept. 10, 1920, Ruth W. Morse, Treasurer	86 36
Townsend Memorial Association, Nov. 8, 1920, C. B. Willard, Treasurer	5 00

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Chautauqua Juniors of Townsend, July 15,	
1921, Edgar A. Wilson, Mayor	9 36
Community Dance, May 19, 1922	200 00
Community Dance, June 9, 1922	77 50
T. H. S. Alumni Association, Aug. 31, 1922	101 76
Townsend National Bank Interest, Sept. 1,	
1922	4 50

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\$569 48

## Payments

Sept. 1, 1922, M. Steinert & Sons Co.,	
Fitchburg, Mass., Knabe Grand Piano	\$550 00
Sept. 1, 1922, balance	19 48

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\$569 48

C. B. WILLARD,  
Trustee.

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## REPORT OF TREASURER OF HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR CLASS

Sept. 8, Cash on hand	\$ 27 79
Sale of chocolates to date	402 62
Receipts of Class Play	117 35
Dues Paid	5 00

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\$552 76

## Payments

Orchestra for Play	\$9 00
Express	90
Printing	4 60
Books for Play	5 35
Books for Second Play	3 65
Chocolate and other candies	373 44
Balance on hand	155 82

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\$552 76

WESLEY HODGE,  
Treasurer.

# REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

To the Citizens of the Town of Townsend:

## Librarian's Report

### LIBRARY STAFF

Mrs. Evelyn L. Warren, librarian; Mrs. Icea L. Cowdrey, Miss Louise Drake and Miss Hazel M. Farrar, assistants; Miss Alice V. Seaver, custodian at West Townsend.

### LIBRARY STATISTICS

Days open during the year		148
Number of volumes in the library December 31, 1921	8034	
Number of volumes worn out and not replaced	17	
		8017
Number of volumes added by purchase	221	
Number of volumes added by binding magazines	19	
Number of volumes added by gift	57	
Total number of volumes added		297
Number of volumes in the library December 31, 1922		8314
Number of periodicals lent		598
Number of volumes lent at Townsend	10,887	
Number of volumes sent to West Townsend	3,317	
Number of volumes deposited at Townsend Harbor School	180	
Total number of volumes lent		14,204
Average daily circulation		96
Largest day's circulation (February 11)		289
Smallest day's circulation (June 13)		18
Resident borrowers registered		330
Non-resident borrowers registered		61
Teachers and pupils in public schools registered		299
Total number of borrowers registered		690
Average number of volumes lent per borrower		20
Average number of volumes lent per capita (population 1575)		9

The following magazines have been purchased:

American Boy	Literary Digest
American City	National Geographic Magazine
American Magazine	Outlook
Atlantic Monthly	Readers' Guide
Bookman	Scientific American
Delineator	St. Nicholas
Harper's Magazine	Wireless Age
Ladies' Home Journal	World's Work
Life	

There have been given to the library:

American Girl, Girl Scouts.  
Boy's Life, Boy Scouts.  
Dearborn Independent, Mr. Henry Ford.  
Living Age, Mrs. Marjorie Witmer.  
Living Tissue, Publishers.  
Messenger of the Sacred Heart, Donor unknown.  
Nation, Mr. Albert Todd.  
National Grange Monthly, Mr. T. E. Flarity.  
National Republican, Donor unknown.  
Oral Hygiene, Publishers.  
Our Dumb Animals, Publishers.  
Popular Mechanics and Woman's Home Companion, Country Club.  
The Red Cross Courier. Townsend Branch A. R. C.  
Review of Reviews, Mrs. F. L. Miller.

The library has received gifts of books or money to buy books from:

Family of Wilmer Atkinson, 1 volume.  
J. J. Piper, 2 volumes.  
Church of Latter Day Saints, 1 volume.  
C. B. Willard, 1 volume.  
Richard Patterson, 1 volume.  
Helen Stuart, 6 volumes.  
Ralph Wheeler, 13 volumes.  
Thelma Harvey, 13 volumes.  
Miss Helen Wood, 1 volume.  
A. N. Fessenden, 1 volume.  
F. H. Ormsby, 1 volume.  
U. S. Government, 2 volumes.  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, 6 volumes.



Other sources, 8 volumes.

Mrs. J. E. Hughes, money to buy books.

Mrs. F. W. Wood, money to buy books.

Two important changes have come into our year's work. On July first Rev. A. L. Struthers, on closing his pastorate here, resigned from the board of trustees. Mr. R. G. Fessenden was elected on July 17 to fill this vacancy until the next annual town meeting.

Upon the request of the school committee, the trustees voted to change the hours of the Tuesday session so that from October 3rd, the library has been open from 2 to 4 p. m., instead of from 4 to 6 p. m. as formerly. This change has already justified itself by giving more pupils better opportunities to obtain books necessary in their school work.

On the last day of the Chautauqua the juniors sold tags and voted to give the proceeds from the sale to the library, requesting that this money be spent for children's books. Ten books have been bought with the \$11.60 received.

This year we have spent a considerable sum of money in replacing wornout, but worthwhile, children's books. As shown by our statistical report we have received gifts of books, and money for books from different friends. In some cases the books have been for little children and we have put them into circulation without cataloguing.

Our resident and non-resident borrowers are less this year than for some time, while the number of teachers and pupils using the library has increased, and more books have been borrowed this year than ever before in the history of the library. With increased use comes added wear and a consequent large bill for binding. While nearly all of our borrowers are careful of the books and observe all rules relating to the library, there have been a few who have flagrantly disregarded both.

Our work with the schools has been of the same interest and scope as in former years; the co-operation between teachers and librarian has been of mutual benefit.

Of the 89 children who received the state certificate reading lists sent out by the Massachusetts board of Free Public Library Commissioners, but 11 have completed their reading and received their certificates. These lists have been a help in giving the child the right reading for his grade, and a continuance in this reading is expected.

The trustees have continued their deposits of books at the Harbor school, and two baskets of books go to the West Townsend schools each week; the latter delivery as well as the exchange of books at the West Townsend reading room continues to be generously supported by Mrs. C. S. Homer.

Twice during the year the library has extended its hospitality to the dental clinic. The first session opened on January 23 and continued for about four weeks. The second session opened October 11 and continued for three weeks.

We are under obligation to all with whom we have been associated in our work during this year; for their courtesy and helpfulness we are grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

EVELYN L. WARREN,

Librarian.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

From January 1, 1922 to January 1, 1923

#### Receipts

To cash deposited in Townsend National Bank as shown by last report	\$ 25 62
Cash in hands of librarian	1 12
Interest on Charles Emery Fund to July 1, 1922	25 00
Transferred from Welcome Home Fund	25 00
Dog licenses refunded	331 19
Town's appropriation for library purposes	478 07
Cash refunded for books	64 54

#### Gifts:

Mrs. C. S. Homer, for free delivery of books at West Townsend	\$35 00
Junior Chautauqua	11 60
Mrs. J. E. Hughes	2 00
Mr. F. H. Ormsby	1 50
Mrs. F. W. Wood, Baltimore, Md.	10 00
Country Club, subscription to Popular Mechanics and Woman's Home Companion	4 56

Mrs. F. L. Miller, subscription to Review of Reviews	2 75	
		67 41
Sale of old papers		2 10
Cash received from fines		52 85
		<u>\$1,072 90</u>

## Payments

## Salaries and services:

Evelyn L. Warren	\$225 00
Louise Drake	12 78
Icea L. Cowdrey	9 30
Hazel M. Farrar	4 10
Ernest G. Davis	1 50
Alice V. Seaver	30 00

(Custodian at West Townsend)

	<u>\$282 68</u>
Books	\$447 83
Insurance	116 00
Magazines and serials	58 25
Binding	81 86
Printing	7 30
Supplies	18 78
Postage and express	9 09
Cash in hands of librarian	73
Cash deposited in Townsend National Bank	50 38
	<u>\$1,072 90</u>

The above balance of \$51.11 includes the amount due Mrs. C. S. Homer's account of \$15.00 to be deducted therefrom, leaving a balance of \$36.11.

Charles Emery Fund, Deposit Book No. 23,582, Worcester North Savings Institution, Fitchburg, Mass.	\$500 00
Welcome Home Committee Fund, Deposit Book No. 178, Savings Department, Townsend National Bank	\$160 44
Insurance on Public Library expires June 12, 1925	\$4,000 00

Respectfully submitted,

EVELYN L. WARREN,

Treasurer.

## RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE ENSUING YEAR

For librarian's salary	\$300 00	
For assistant's salary	30 00	
For books	300 00	
For magazines	50 00	
For printing, binding, supplies and other in- cidentals	150 00	
	<hr/>	\$830 00
There will be available to carry out the above recommendations:		
Unexpended balance in hands of treasurer		\$36 11
Interest on Charles Emery Fund (estimated)		25 00
Other sources (estimated)		25 00
Amount of refunded dog licenses to be appropriated		365 76
Leaving a balance for the town to appropriate on the above recommendations of		378 13
		<hr/> \$830 00

CARL B. WILLARD,  
EVELYN L. WARREN,  
ROBERT G. FESSENDEN,  
Board of Trustees.

## LIST OF BOOKS ADDED TO THE TOWNSEND PUBLIC LIBRARY, 1922

### Reference

New International Year Book. 1921.  
Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature. 1919-1921.  
World Almanac. 1921.

### General Works

Atlantic Monthly. Vols. 128 and 129. July 1921 to July 1922.  
Harper's Magazine. Vols. 143 and 144. June 1921 to June 1922.  
National Geographic Magazine. Vols. 40 and 41. July 1921 to  
July 1922.  
Outlook. Vols. 128, 129 and 130. May 1921 to May 1922.  
Popular Mechanics. Vols. 36 and 37. July 1921 to July 1922.

Review of Reviews. Vols. 64 and 65. July 1921 to July 1922.  
 Scientific American. Vols. 125 and 126. July 1921 to July 1922.  
 World's Work. Vols. 42 and 43. May 1921 to May 1922.

### Philosophy

Jackson. Outwitting our nerves	130
Walsh. Health through will power	130
Robinson. Mind in the making	150

### Religion

Smith (trans.) Book of Mormon	289
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### Sociology

Cartwright. Mutual interests of labor and capital	331
Four years in the underbrush	331

### Natural Science

Locy. Biology and its makers	570
Underwood. Wild brother	590

### Useful Arts

Murphy. Art of table setting, ancient and modern	641
Bucher. How to pass U. S. Govt. examinations (radio)	654
Lascarboura. Radio for everybody	654
Forbes. Romance of business	658

### Fine Arts

Shackleton. Quest of the Colonial	749
Johnson. Photography in colors	770

### Literature

Clark. When you write a letter	808
Millay. Second April	821
Day. Crow's nest	824
Van Dyke. Companionable books	824
Reflections of a T. B. M. by himself	827

### History World War

Duane. Dear old "K." 101st Infantry	909.1
Halsey. Literary Digest History of the World War, 10 vols.	909.1
Levinger. Jewish chaplain in France	909.1
Morganthau. Ambassador Morganthau's story	909.1



## Biography

Howe.	Memories of a hostess	920
M. T. F.	My Chinese marriage	920
Ticknor.	Glimpses of authors	920
Atkinson.	Autobiography of Wilmer Atkinson	921
Cantacuzene.	My life here and there	921
Davis.	Iron puddler. Life of James T. Davis	921
Freemont.	Life of John Charles Freemont by Bigelow	921
Higginson.	Life and letters of Henry Lee Higginson by Perry	921
Lane.	Letters of Franklin K. Lane	921
London.	Book of Jack London by Charmain London, 2 vols.	921
Moore.	Life of Langdon W. Moore	921
Panunzio.	Soul of an immigrant	921
Singe.	Sadhu Sunda Singe by Mrs. Arthur Barker	921
Ward.	Life of Artemus Ward by Martyn	921
	Jewish activities in America. Vols. 3 and 4	933
Reppington.	After the war	940
	Glass of fashion	942
	Manchuria. Land of opportunities	951
Lodge.	Short history of the English Colonies in America	973.2
Dixon.	Westward hoboos	978
White, S. E.	Mountains	978

## Fiction

Andrews.	His soul goes marching on
Bachelor.	In the days of poor Richard
Beach.	Flowing gold
Bindloss.	Man from the wilds
Brown.	Old Crow
Burnett.	Head of the House of Coombe
Burnett.	Robin
Burt.	Q
Caine.	Master of man
Connor.	To him that hath
Curwood.	Country beyond
Curwood.	Flaming forest
Day.	Joan of Arc of the north country
Deland.	Vehement flame
Dell.	Obstacle race
Dixon.	Man in grey
Dos Passos.	Three soldiers

Ferber. Girls  
Fisher. Rough-hewn  
Fletcher. Borough treasurer  
Fletcher. Scarhaven Keep  
Grey. To the last man  
Harrison. Saint Teresa  
Hemon. Maria Chapdelaine  
Hutchinson. If winter comes  
Hutchinson. This freedom  
King. Empty sack  
Kyne. Pride of Palomar  
Lee. Other Susan  
Lewis. Babbitt  
Lincoln. Fair Harbor  
Lindsay. Backsliders  
Locke. Tale of Triona  
Melville. Moby Dick  
Montgomery. Rilla of Ingleside  
Norris. Beloved woman  
Norris. Certain people of importance  
Oemler. Two shall be born  
Oppenheim. Great Prince Shan  
Parker. Carnac's folly  
Piper. House on the hill  
Piper. Wild wings  
Quick. Vandermark's folly  
Rice. Quinn  
Richmond. Foursquare  
Rinehart. Breaking point  
Sears. Romance of fiddler's green  
Sinclair, B. M. Casey Ryan  
Sinclair, B. W. Hidden places  
Singmaster. Bennett Mallen  
Tarkington. Gentle Julia  
Wells, C. Luminous face  
Wharton. Glimpses of the moon  
Widdemer. Minister of grace  
Willis. Enchanted canyon  
Willis. Judith of the Godless valley

## CHILDREN'S BOOKS

## Non-fiction

j St. Nicholas. Vol. 48. Part 2. May to October 1921	
j St. Nicholas. Vol. 49. Part 1. November 1921 to May 1922	
Harris. Nights with Uncle Remus	j398
Anderson. Fairy tales, Stickney (ed) 1st and 2nd series	j398.4
Lang. (ed.) Blue fairy book	j398.4
Lang. (ed.) Grey fairy book	j398.4
Lang. (ed.) Lilac fairy book	j398.4
Lang. (ed.) Red fairy book	j398.4
Williston. Japanese fairy tales. 1st and 2nd series	j398.4
Science ladders. Vegetable life. Vol 2	j500
Science ladders. Water animals. Armor bearers. Vol. 3	j500
Gould. Mother Nature's children	j504
Dopp. Early cave man	j571
Burgess. Burgess animal book for children	j590
Carter (ed.) About animals	j590
Lang. Animal story book	j590
Long. Secrets of the wood	j590
Long. Wilderness ways	j590
Roberts. Kindred of the wild	j590
Morley. Among the bee people	j595
Chamberlain. How we are fed	j640
Bergengren. Jane, Joseph and John	j821
Burgess. More goops and how not to be them	j821
Garnett. Muffin shop	j821
Mother Goose	j821
Poulsson. Runaway donkey	j821
Chisholm. Golden staircase	j821.8
Van Loon. Story of mankind	j900
Baldwin. Thirty more famous stories retold	j904
Carpenter. Around the world with the children	j910
Chamberlain. How we travel	j910
Shaw. Big and little people of other lands	j910
Baldwin. Four great Americans	j920
Blaisdell. Hero stories from American history	j920
Campbell. Famous American statesmen	j920
Eggleston. Stories of great Americans	j920
Gilbert. More than conquerors	j920
Haworth. Trailmakers of the Northwest	j920

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Lang.	True red story book	j920
Clemens.	Boys' life of Mark Twain by A. B. Paine	j920
Edison.	Boys' life of Thomas Alva Edison by Meadowcraft	j921
Lincoln.	Abraham Lincoln by James Baldwin	j921
Lincoln.	True story of Abraham Lincoln by S. E. Brooks	j921
Lincoln.	Children's life of Abraham Lincoln by Putnam	j921
Roosevelt.	Boys' life of Theodore Roosevelt by Herman Hagedorn	j921
Washington.	True story of George Washington by S. E. Brooks	j921
Tappan.	Old world hero stories	j940
DuChaillu.	Lost in the jungle	j960
Judd.	Wigwam stories	j970.1
Wilson.	Myths of the red people	j970.1
Gordy.	American explorers	j973
Humphrey.	How New England was made	j973
Greeg.	Founding of a nation	j974.4
Douglass.	Citizenship in Connecticut	j974.6
Leonard (ed.)	Parkman's Oregon trail	j978
DuChaillu.	Land of the long night	j998

## Fiction

j Abbott.	High acres
j Ashmun.	Stephen's last chance
j Barnes.	Midshipman Farragut
j Bretelli.	Prince and his ants
j Blanchard.	Little Florida lady
j Blanchard.	Lucky Penny of Thistle troop
j Blanchard.	Girl scout of Red Rose troop
j Blaisdell.	Short stories of American history
j Bond.	Scientific American boy at school
j Boyeson.	Boyhood in Norway
j Brown.	Little Miss Phoebe Gay
j Brown.	Ralph Granger's fortune
j Burgess, T.	Jerry Muskrat
j Burgess, T.	Mother West Wind's "how" stories
j Canfield.	Big tent
j Canfield.	Kidnapped campers on the road
j Chance.	Little folks of many lands
j	Courageous girls
j Crump.	Boys' book of firemen
j Curtis.	Little maid of Old New York

- j Curtis. Yankee girl at Bull Run
- j DeAmicis. Cuore (heart)
- j Dix. Blythe McBride
- j Dix. Merrylips
- j Eggleston. Stories of American life and adventure
- j Faulkner. Red Cross stories for children
- j French. Lance of Kanana
- j Frey. Campfire girls solve a mystery
- j Hasbrook. Boys' Parkman
- j Hawes. Great quest
- j Henty. With Wolfe in Canada
- j Holbrook. Hiawatha primer
- j Hopkins. Sandman
- j Jackson. Nelly's silver mine
- j Kay. Fighting in France
- j Kipling. Puck of Pook's hill
- j Knipe. Diantha's quest
- j Knipe. Luck of Denewood
- j LaRame. Nurnberg stove
- j LaRame. Moufflou and other stories
- j Lothrop. Adventures of Joel Pepper
- j Lothrop. Ben Pepper
- j Lothrop. Five little Peppers and their friends
- j Lothrop. Five little Peppers in the little brown house
- j Lothrop. Our Davie Pepper
- j McDonald. Princess and Curdy
- j McDonald. Princess and the goblin
- j Masfield. Martin Hyde, Duke's messenger
- j Meade. Girls of the forest
- j Meade. Heart of gold
- j Otis. Mr. Stubb's brother
- j Page. Two little confederates
- j Patterson. Judy, heroine
- j Peary. Children of the arctic
- j Peary. Snow baby
- j Perkins. Puritan twins
- j Perry. Our Jackeys with the fleet
- j Pyle. Men of iron
- j Richards. Joyous story of Toto
- j Roberts. Heart of the ancient wood
- j Rockwood. Dave Dashaway



- j Rolt-Wheeler. Book of cowboys
- j Rolt-Wheeler. Boy with the United States secret service
- j Roosevelt. Frontier boys
- j Sabin. Great Pike's Peak rush
- j Sabin. Opening the West with Lewis and Clark
- j Sabin. With Carson and Fremont
- i Sabin. With Sam Houston in Texas
- j Scott. Tales
- j Seamen. Melissa across the fence
- j Seawell. Little Jarvis
- j Some queer Americans
- j Stockton. Fanciful tales
- j Sullivan. Brother Eskimo
- j Tappan. Letters from Colonial Children
- j Theiss. Young wireless operator as a fire patrol
- j White, E. O. Blue aunt
- j White, E. O. Borrowed sister
- j Whitehouse. Polly's first year at boarding school
- j Young. Little Duke
- j Zwilgmeyer. Johnny Blossom

# REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

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## Annual Care

Due January 1, 1922	\$188 90	
Charged individuals	267 50	
	<hr/>	\$456 40
Cash received, annual care		316 15
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Balance due January 1, 1923		\$140 25

## Foundations Account

Due January 1, 1922	\$75 33	
Charged individuals	91 75	
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Cash received, foundation work		90 83
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Balance due January 1, 1923		\$76 25

## Grading Account

Due January 1, 1922	\$65 00	
Charged individuals	47 00	
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Balance due January 1, 1923		\$112 00

## Cemetery Lots Sold

Charged individuals	\$46 00	
Received, lots sold	43 00	
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Balance due January 1, 1923		\$3 00

## Graves Opened

Due January 1, 1922	\$22 00	
Charged individuals	62 00	
	<hr/>	\$84 00
Received, opening graves		74 00
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Balance due January 1, 1923		\$10 00

## Graves Filled

Due January 1, 1922	\$10 00	
Charged individuals	17 00	
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		\$27 00
Received, filling graves		9 00
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Balance due January 1, 1923		\$18 00

## Miscellaneous Items

Due January 1, 1922	\$61 75	
Charged individuals	28 75	
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		\$90 50
Received, miscellaneous items		37 00
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Balance due January 1, 1923		\$53 50

## Summary of Receipts

Annual care	\$316 15	
Foundations account	90 83	
Cemetery lots sold	43 00	
Graves opened	74 00	
Graves filled	9 00	
Miscellaneous items	37 00	
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		\$569 98
Perpetual care funds received		200 00
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Amount paid treasurer		\$769 98
Estimated value of tools, markers, deeds, tool house, fertilizer, etc.		\$175 00

Respectfully submitted,

ASA K. TYLER,  
ERNEST G. WILSON,  
GEORGE A. WILDER,  
Cemetery Commissioners.

# FIRE DEPARTMENT

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## REPORT OF CHIEF ENGINEER

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:—I submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1922.

The loss by fire in town the past year is the smallest for any year for 29 years, or since a record of fires was kept.

The total insurance paid was \$25.00, total value of property endangered \$118,000.00; this amount does not include the value of wood land. Notwithstanding this small loss the department has been called on 46 times. These calls were divided as follows:

26 Chimney fires.

14 Brush fires.

6 Fires in buildings from other causes.

The apparatus is in good condition; during the past month we have had six of the department fire extinguishers rebuilt; these have been in service about 24 years. They are now in as good condition as when new. I would recommend that another year another lot of the old extinguishers be rebuilt when all in the department will be in firstclass condition.

The following is a roster of the department:

### BOARD OF ENGINEERS

F. J. Piper, Chief

R. G. Fessenden, Clerk and Treasurer

F. A. Greenleaf

J. W. Livingston

G. B. Richardson

F. H. Ormsby

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Squannicook Steamer Company, No. 1

M. R. Colby, Foreman

J. W. French, First Assistant Foreman

H. L. Whitcomb, Second Assistant Foreman

J. W. Livingston, Clerk

H. L. Whitcomb, Treasurer

C. A. Wright

H. C. Felch

W. F. Arlin

N. L. Wood

E. E. Austin

H. A. Wilson

W. J. Domina

J. R. Arlin

G. A. Wilson

S. H. Gilson

Eclipse Steamer Company, No. 2

H. B. Hathaway, Foreman

M. W. Wares, First Assistant Foreman

G. M. Streeter, Clerk

F. A. Patch, Treasurer

W. E. Elliott

C. A. Hodgman

R. D. Rusk

C. O. Shaw

Amos Jowdrey

G. B. Richardson

H. A. Terrell

F. P. Farnsworth

O. B. Mudgett

George Wyman

Harbor Hose Company

F. B. Eaton   Edward Burke   Edward Connors   A. D. Bagley, Jr.

Respectfully submitted,

F. J. PIPER,

Chief of Fire Department.



# REPORT OF JANITOR OF MEMORIAL HALL

Sawyers, moving pictures, 77 nights	\$770 00
Woods, moving pictures, 4 nights	40 00
Basketball practice, 9 nights	9 00
Farm Bureau, 8 nights	14 12
Ladies' Whist Club, 4 nights	28 00
Basketball, 9 nights	65 25
High school rehearsals, 3 nights	5 00
Floyds, social dance, Jan. 25	7 25
Johnsons, social dance, Feb. 8	5 00
Pomona Grange, Feb. 16	5 00
Grange, public, April 24	9 25
Ladies' Sewing Club, April 25	2 00
Punch and Judy, May 17	5 00
I. O. O. F. public meeting, May 24	9 50
Finnish, social and dance, Sept. 8	7 25
Live Wires, social and dance, Nov. 9	8 25
Burt, Moulton Comedy, Nov. 21	10 00
Leo Hannons, social dances, 3	24 00
Lights three nights	4 50
Table paper	32
Epworth League rehearsals and drama	13 50
Total	<hr/> \$1,107 44
Cash on hand January 1, 1922	\$ 129 75
Cash received	1,107 44
Total	<hr/> \$1,237 19
Cash paid treasurer	1,199 22
Cash on hand January 1, 1923	<hr/> \$37 97

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. ARLIN, Janitor.

# Report of Demonstration Work in Agriculture and Home Economics in the Town of Townsend

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FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1922

An appropriation of \$150 was made at the annual town meeting for demonstration work under the direction of the Middlesex County Bureau of Agriculture and Home Economics. Following is a report of the work done by this organization in Townsend:

Agents of the bureau made forty-three farm and home visits. The County Agricultural Agent held an extension school, gave a pruning demonstration and a poultry-culling demonstration. He also organized a poultry automobile tour to study some successful poultry plants in the northern part of the county. The Home Demonstration Agent held a program meeting and gave two dress-form demonstrations to seventy women. She also gave a jelly and jam demonstration and conducted three millinery classes at which a total of 120 women learned how to make hats. A permanent organization has been formed for work with women, with chairmen in charge of the different projects.

The Dental Clinic made a return trip to the town in October and work of previous years was found to have been showing good results. Only a short time was required to complete the work compared with previous years.

Bureau moving pictures were shown seven times to a total audience of 1,440.

Club enrolment was as follows: Home Economics, 17; Canning, 7; Garden, 7. Club Agents held twenty-one meetings with boys' and girls' clubs. Pearl Russell won the county canning championship and Catherine Dominer the county bread championship, which make seven county championships that have been won by club members in Townsend in the past four years.

Middlesex County continues to lead all others in the United States in the number of boys and girls enrolled in Club projects. There were 2,965 enrolled in various Club projects and they produced \$75,475 worth of products during the year. All of these young people were under the leadership of Agents of the County Bureau and 184 paid and volunteer local leaders.

Respectfully submitted,

LYMAN A. COOK, Director.

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## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

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To the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Townsend:

Dear Sirs:—I herewith submit my report for the inspection of animals and meat for the year ending December 31, 1922. I inspected 131 barns, 369 cows, 150 young stock, 9 bulls, 56 swine, 10 sheep, 2 goats. Quarantined 9 animals under suspicion of having a contagious disease.

I inspected at the slaughter house 70 head, at the home of farmers 9 head.

Yours truly,

CHARLES P. SHAW, D. V. S.,

Inspector of Animals.

# REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Townsend, Mass., Jan. 22, 1923.

To the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Townsend:

Gentlemen:—I have the honor of submitting the following report as Chief of Police for the year ending 1922.

The criminal cases brought before the First District Court of Northern Middlesex County between Dec. 31, 1921 and Dec. 31, 1922, are as follows:

Number of cases	14
Larceny	9
Violation of liquor laws	1
Breaking and entering	1
Non-support	1
Drunkenness	1
Dog tax	1
Arrest for out-of-town officials	1
Total	14

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY C. FELCH,  
Chief of Police.

Townsend, Mass., Jan. 20, 1923.

Gentlemen:—I submit the following report for the year ending 1922:

Number of arrests	9
Bastardy	1
Larceny	3
Unlicensed dog	1
Operating auto under the influence of liquor	1
For observation at state institution	1
To the home for neglected children	2
Total	9

Respectfully submitted,

H. B. HATHAWAY,  
Constable.

# REPORT OF ASSESSORS

Total appropriation, town meeting, March 6, 1922	\$53,560 81
Appropriated from surplus revenue	1,690 00
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Appropriation to be raised by taxation	\$51,870 81
State tax	\$4,560 00
County tax	2,896 67
State highway tax	651 50
State assessment, polls	1,629 00
Overlay	433 34
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	\$10,170 51
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Total to be raised	\$62,041 32

## Estimated receipts deducted:

Corporation tax, public service	\$ 377 29
Corporation tax, business	2,500 00
Corporation tax, foreign	258 82
National bank tax	586 98
Income tax	1,463 73
State assessment, polls	1,629 00
Soldiers' exemptions	114 37

## Education:

General school fund	\$2,953 90
Income tax fund	2,150 00
State superintendent salary	966 00
Rent of hall	125 00
Tuitions	110 00
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	\$6,304 90
546 polls	1,092 00
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	\$14,327 09
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Total to be raised by taxation	\$47,708 23



Value of personal estate	\$ 415,505 00
Value of real estate	1,659,027 00
Total valuation	\$2,074,532 00
Rate of taxation, \$23.00 per \$1000.00.	
Tax on personal estate	\$ 9,556 61
Tax on real estate	38,157 62
Gain, figuring taxes	1 57
	<hr/> \$47,715 81
Add moth tax	166 71
Add non-resident bank tax	518 65
Commitment to collector	\$48,401 17
Poll tax commitment, April 15	2,730 00
December commitment	50 89
Total commitment to collector	<hr/> \$51,182 06

#### Exemptions under the Laws of the Commonwealth

Soldier and soldiers' widows, value of property	\$16,600 00
Widows and unmarried women, value of property	16,823 00
Charitable associations	1,875 00
Tax lost on soldiers' exemptions	381 80
Reimbursed by state on account of soldiers' exemptions	109 73
Number of horses assessed	260
Number of cows assessed	375
Number of neat cattle other than cows assessed	83
Number of sheep assessed	4
Number of swine assessed	10
Number of fowls assessed	7,909
Number of dwelling houses assessed	534
Number of acres of land assessed	20,283

#### ABATEMENT OF TAXES

La Fountain, Clarence	\$13 65
Morris, George	5 00
Furbush, Guy	5 00
Ferry, Albert	5 00
Dudley, William	5 00
Wyman, Albert	77 60
Bennett, Margaret L.	1 25

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Wetherby, J. Warren	12 50
Batchelder, John H.	3 00
Bray, Hudson A.	3 00
Burke, Edward E.	3 00
Bush, Ralph R.	3 00
Farrar, Carlton L.	3 00
Frye, Raymond D.	3 00
Green, Harold E.	3 00
Grimes, Walter E.	3 00
Hadley, Elliott C.	3 00
Hurley, Leslie E.	3 00
Johnson, John Sanford	3 00
Jones, Herbert	3 00
Kilburn, Ralph T.	3 00
Liddell, Charles	3 00
Marshall, Leon	3 00
Misner, Ralph H.	3 00
Powell, George V.	3 00
Rusk, Ian M.	3 00
Sherwin, Alden A.	3 00
Tenney, George F.	3 00
Temple, Joseph L.	3 00
Thatcher, H. Raymond	3 00
Tumber, Robert L.	3 00
Upham, George H.	3 00
Valcourt, George	3 00
Valcourt, Edward	3 00
Winchester, George C.	3 00
Welch, Earl	3 00
Wyman, Albert B.	3 00
Wyman, Charles A.	3 00
Harriman, Winfred S.	3 00
Le Poor, John J.	3 00
Clark, John	5 00
Sanders, Horace	5 00
Morrison, Arthur M.	5 00
Laws, Arthur	3 00
Hall, Fred M.	3 00
Rand, Stillman	3 00
Withers, Jack	3 00
Brown, Susan N.	23 00

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Coffey, John M.	5 00
Trow, Harold	3 00
Johnson, Willard H.	3 00
Swicker, Elwin O.	3 00
MacKenzie, Orville D.	3 00
Pippin, Alexander	3 00
Welch, Thomas H.	23 00
Homer, Anna W.	69 00
Reed, Alexander	11 50
Sanders, Hattie and others	22 22
Kaykka, Maria	23 00

TIMOTHY E. COFFEY,  
 GEORGE E. KING,  
 GEORGE H. TENNEY,  
 Assessors of Townsend.

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## Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

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To the Selectmen of Townsend:

Gentlemen:—The following is the report of sealer for year ending December 31, 1922.

	Sealed
Scales	58
Weights	163
Dry measures	6
Liquid measures	51
Oil measuring pumps	18
Molasses measuring pumps	4
Yard measures	6
Fees collected and paid town treasurer	\$33.29.

Respectfully submitted,

OSCAR B. MUDGETT,  
 Sealer.

# REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF POOR

JANUARY 1, 1922 TO DECEMBER 31, 1922

Personal property at town farm, Jan. 1, 1922	\$4,291 79	
Less items in inventory belonging to lumber account	1,144 00	
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	\$3,147 79	
Salaries and labor	1,762 95	
Grain	528 29	
Groceries and provisions	468 60	
Repairs	107 98	
Medical attendance	76 25	
Dry goods and clothing	66 26	
New disc harrow	42 50	
Telephone	35 61	
Oil	15 75	
Wood	90 00	
Insurance on wood on lot	24 61	
Fertilizer	21 85	
Veterinary	8 00	
Miscellaneous	4 09	
	<hr/>	\$6,400 53
Deduct invoice of Jan. 1, 1923		3,341 39
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		\$3,059 14
Deduct income from town farm		1,045 02
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		\$2,014 12

## Inmates Supported

8 inmates, 52 weeks each, 416 weeks.

Average cost per inmate, per week

\$4 84

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Income from Town Farm

Labor and team	\$393 09	
Sale of calves	138 37	
Board of inmates	150 00	
Sale of eggs	87 44	
Sale of pigs	64 00	
Sale of milk	22 56	
Rent of house	54 00	
Pasturing	51 00	
Sale of butter	39 50	
Sale of hay	10 00	
Telephone	7 75	
Sale of wood	18 31	
Sale of wheels	7 00	
Board of transient	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,045 02

## Worthy Poor Fund

On hand December 31, 1922	\$141 95	
Cash expended	59 28	
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Balance		\$82 67

## Outside Poor

Expenditures	\$3,705 68
Cash received, including appropriations and transfers	\$3,705 68

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZA M. BENNETT,  
GEORGE H. TENNEY,  
Overseers of Poor.



## REPORT OF LUMBER COMMITTEE

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Cash received for wood and lumber, Jan. 1, 1923	\$3,845 78
Cash paid for labor, teaming and sawing	2,546 63
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Cash on hand	\$1,299 15
Bills receivable Jan. 1, 1923	364 73
Stock on hand, Jan. 1, 1923:	
12,120 ft. dimension lumber, value	363 60
10,532 ft. bridge plank, value	400 22
1,000 ft. hard wood plank, value	40 00
3,500 ft. board, value	70 00
38½ cords green wood (yarded), value	173 25
18 cords dry wood (yarded), value	81 00
411 chestnut posts (yarded), value	41 10
25 reject R. R. ties (yarded), value	8 75
150 R. R. ties at track (yarded), value	100 00
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	\$2,941 80
Less cash paid operating to Jan. 1, 1922	656 98
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Surplus Jan. 1, 1923	\$2,284 82
(Signed)	

GEORGE H. TENNEY,  
Clerk.

# REPORT OF TAX COLLECTORS

C. L. WEBSTER, COLLECTOR

Tax of 1916

Balance due Jan. 1, 1922		\$33 89
Collected and paid treasurer	\$28 00	
Transferred from interest account, error in computing interest	5 89	
	<hr/>	\$33 89
Interest collected and paid treasurer		1 25
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		\$35 14
Moth uncollected, Jan. 1, 1922		\$3 78
Moth collected and paid treasurer		\$3 78

Tax of 1917

Balance due Jan. 1, 1922	\$65 70	
Collected and paid treasurer	25 00	
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Balance uncollected		\$40 70

C. L. WEBSTER, Collector.

W. T. MacMASTER FOR YEAR 1919

Collected, taxes	\$53 55	
Moth	2 40	
Interest	7 20	
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Paid treasurer		\$63 15
This completes the collection for year 1919.		

W. T. MacMASTER FOR YEAR 1920

Collected taxes	\$419 75	
Moth	15 94	
Interest	29 72	
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Paid treasurer		\$465 41
This completes the collection for year 1920.		

W. T. MacMASTER FOR YEAR 1921

Taxes uncollected Jan. 1, 1922	\$8,890 96	
Moth uncollected Jan. 1, 1922	92 92	
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		\$8,983 88

Taxes collected Jan. 1, 1923	\$8,434 68	
Moth collected Jan. 1, 1923	91 07	
Interest paid treasurer	279 30	
	<hr/>	\$8,805 05
Taxes uncollected Jan. 1, 1923	\$456 28	
Moth uncollected Jan. 1, 1923	1 85	
	<hr/>	\$458 13

## REPORT OF E. G. WILSON, COLLECTOR FOR 1922

## Property Taxes

Amount committed		\$48,285 35
Taxes collected and paid treasurer	\$43,272 63	
Cash on hand paid treasurer	19 31	
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Total collected		43,291 94
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Taxes uncollected Jan. 1, 1923		\$4,993 41

## Moth Commitment

Amount committed		\$166 71
Amount collected and paid treasurer	\$122 50	
Cash on hand paid treasurer	01	
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Total collected		\$122 51
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Moth tax uncollected Jan. 1, 1923		\$44 20
Interest collected		\$68 88
Interest paid treasurer	\$67 36	
Cash on hand paid treasurer	1 52	
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Total collected		\$68 88

## Poll Taxes

Amount committed		\$2,730 00
Amount paid treasurer	\$2,673 00	
Amount collected per cash book	2,665 00	2,665 00
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Cash overpaid treasurer	\$8 00	
Total uncollected		\$65 00

## REPORT OF SELECTMEN

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At the close of this year the selectmen wish to offer a few suggestions for the consideration of the voters of the town. We believe it will be well for the town to choose a committee to take some action in regard to setting trees on unimproved land. The Governor and the State Forestry Association requests that each town take some action in this matter, and we believe a comparatively small amount spent in this way will yield a good income in the future.

As shown by the report it will be seen that no small part of our taxes go to pay the expense of the town farm. We believe it is worth while to see if something cannot be saved in this department and would suggest that a committee be chosen to see if it is feasible to enter into a contract with other towns, or to board the inmates, or try to work out some plan which will be more satisfactory than the present one.

We are pleased to note the improved condition of our roads throughout the town, which are now in better repair than in surrounding towns. This is due to the fact that money has been received from the state to be used in connection with the amount appropriated by the town. Some people have said that there was no money saved in this way, as we had to pay for this additional sum in the state tax. This is not true, for this money received from the state comes from the automobile department and does not increase our state tax. If we do not take this from the state some other town will. We strongly recommend that this plan be continued.

Three bridges in town have been rebuilt during the past year and several more are thought to be in poor condition. We believe this matter should be looked into carefully, and the necessary funds appropriated to make these bridges safe for the changed conditions of travel.

It is our opinion a better government could be obtained if the election of officers followed the town meeting. As it is now an inefficient officer may be re-elected without an opportunity in town meeting to consider his previous record.

Some of the sidewalks in the Center are in very bad condition, in fact are dangerous to foot travel; we believe it would be better to take some action on building proper sidewalks rather than pay damages in case of accident.

## ANNUAL BUDGET

Recommendations for the year 1923, with the amounts expended in the year ending 1922 for comparison.

## General Government

	Expended in 1922	Recommended in 1923
Salaries of Selectmen	\$375 00	\$375 00
Assessors	291 50	300 00
Overseers of the Poor	144 55	150 00
Treasurer	250 00	250 00
Town Clerk, including recording fee, etc.	95 00	100 00
Auditors	50 00	50 00
Town Council	69 10	25 00
Registrars	69 00	50 00
Election Officers	137 50	75 00
Moderator	5 00	5 00
Tax Collectors	321 52	550 00
Total recommendations for salaries	\$1,808 17	\$1,930 00
Expenses: Selectmen	\$217 17	\$200 00
Assessors	167 95	150 00
Treasurer	95 15	100 00
Town Clerk	18 50	20 00
Election Officers	50 00	25 00
Town Officers' Bonds	72 00	72 00
Memorial Hall	1,338 14	400 00
Insurance	4 35	10 80
Total recommendations for General Govern- ment	\$3,771 43	\$3,157 80

## Protection of Life and Property

Police Department:		
Police expenses	\$1,042 80	\$1,000 00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	54 60	50 00



Suppression of vice	65 50	200 00
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	\$1,162 90	\$1,250 00
Fire Department:		
Salary of chief	\$ 50 00	\$ 50 00
Firemen's salaries	555 00	555 00
Poll taxes, firemen	145 00	165 00
Incidentals	356 24	400 00
Teams to fires	2 00	50 00
Lighting engine houses	5 02	20 00
Insurance	3 75	78 20
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	\$1,117 01	\$1,318 20
Forestry Department		
Suppression of moths	\$1,297 05	\$ 830 61
Tree warden	124 45	125 00
Forest fires	155 25	150 00
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Total recommendations for protection of life and property	\$1,576 75	\$1,105 61
Health and Sanitation		
Inspection of animals and meat	\$298 50	\$ 250 00
Vital statistics	22 00	10 00
Board of health, miscellaneous	40 52	200 00
Use of Fessenden sewer	40 00	40 00
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Total recommendations for health and sanitation	\$401 02	\$500 00
Highways and Bridges		
Street repairs	\$9,692 84	\$6,400 00
Removing snow	744 68	1,000 00
Street lights	1,854 02	1,900 00
Watering troughs	8 00	25 00
Bridges and repairing streets in villages	1,331 01	1,400 00
Insurance, storage building and contents	3 75	3 75
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Total recommendations for highways and bridges	\$13,634 10	\$10,728 75

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Charities

Almshouse	\$3,228 13	\$3,000 00
Outside poor	3,705 68	3,500 00
Expenses of overseers of poor	144 55	75 00
Insurance	35 15	.....
Total recommendations for charities	\$7,113 51	\$6,575 00

## Education

Salaries: Superintendent, teachers, janitors, repairs, books, transportation and miscellaneous,	\$30,500 00
Estimated income	\$8,802 00

## Public Library

Evelyn L. Warren, Librarian	\$809 26	\$ 378 13
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## Recreation

Park commissioners	\$263 77	\$ 300 00
Band concerts	400 00	500 00
Total amount recommended for recreation	\$663 77	\$800 00

## Soldiers' Benefits

State aid	\$312 00	\$350 00
Soldiers' relief	.....	50 00
	\$312 00	\$400 00

## Interest

Interest on tax notes	\$812 28	\$1,000 00
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## Unclassified

Printing Reports	\$585 20	\$575 00
Memorial day	125 00	125 00
Farm bureau	150 00	150 00
Insurance on hearse house	7 80	.....
Miscellaneous	81 58	150 00
	\$949 58	\$1,000 00

Amount to be raised by taxation based on  
the above figures \$60,265 36

## LIST OF JURORS

As Revised by Selectmen, July 11, 1922

Name	Occupation	Residence
Arlin, John A.	Cooper	Townsend
Bagley, A. Dudley	Broker	Townsend Harbor
Boutelle, Frances N.	Farmer	West Townsend
Brown, Charles R.	Papermaker	Townsend
Clark, George G.	Cooper	Townsend
Coffey, Thomas J.	Cooper	Townsend
Conant, Frank E.	Farmer	Townsend Harbor
Copeland, Robert A.	Cooper	Townsend
Dwyer, Samuel D.	Farmer	Townsend Harbor
Hartford, George H.	Cooper	Townsend
Hill, Hugh J.	Cooper	Townsend
Hurley, Leslie E.	Poultry	Townsend
Jones, George H.	Electrician	Townsend Harbor
Keefe, Stephen W.	Bookkeeper	Townsend
Lancey, Roswell A.	Machinist	Townsend
Litch, Herbert F.	Farmer	West Townsend
Marshall, Erving K.	Painter	Townsend
Misner, Robert S.	Cooper	Townsend
Piper, Frederick J.	Salesman	Townsend
Powell, George T.	Cooper	Townsend
Rusk, Ian M.	Student	West Townsend
Sherwin, Alden A.	Student	West Townsend
Tenney, George F.	Clerk	Townsend
Watkins, Leon Z.	Millhand	Townsend
Wright, Charles A.	Sawyer	Townsend
Woods, Frank A.	Cooper	Townsend
Wood, Nilo L.	Cooper	Townsend

## INSURANCE ON TOWN PROPERTY

On Memorial Hall building and contents, including public library		\$16,250 00
School buildings and contents	\$19,400 00	
Two school barges	300 00	
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Fire department buildings and contents		\$10,100 00
Town farm buildings and contents	\$3,500 00	
Aker house	400 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,900 00
Hearse house		\$500 00
Storage building and contents		\$300 00

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE L. WHITCOMB,  
GEORGE C. WINCHESTER,  
A. DUDLEY BAGLEY,  
Selectmen.

# TOWN BY-LAWS

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

### ARTICLE 1—Town Meetings

Section 1. The annual town meeting shall be held on the first Monday in March in each year.

Sec. 2. The financial year of the town, for all departments of the town, shall commence on the first day of January, and end on the thirty-first day of December of each year.

Sec. 3. The annual report of the town officers shall be distributed, by mail or otherwise, to each resident voter and tax payer, at least one week before each annual meeting.

Sec. 4. No action shall be had at any town meeting on the report of any committee previously chosen, unless the subject-matter shall be specified in the warrant calling such meeting.

Sec. 5. The Town Treasurer shall keep a complete set of books wherein shall be entered the amount of each specific appropriation and the orders that have been drawn against it; shall, when any appropriation has been wholly expended immediately make a report of the fact to the Selectmen and the head of the department under whose direction the work for which the appropriation was made is carried on; at the close of each order day, or as soon thereafter as practicable, he shall send to the Selectmen and the head of the department having the disbursement of the appropriation a statement of the balance remaining subject to draft; he shall, in his annual report, give a detailed statement of all receipts and expenditures of the town for the past financial year, giving the amount of each specific appropriation, showing to whom paid, the amount and the object of the expenditures therefrom, the receipts from each source of income, the change, if any, in the town debt, and shall include a list of all debts incurred and not paid, up to and including December 31st each year, showing to whom due, for what due, and the amounts. Said statements shall be arranged, as far as practicable, to conform to the schedule of the division of the Municipal Statistics of the Bureau of Statistics of the Commonwealth.



## ARTICLE II—Streets

Section 1. No person shall pasture any cattle, or other animals, with or without a keeper, in any street of the town.

Sec. 2. No person shall tie or fasten any horse, cattle, or team to any of the trees planted or reserved for shade or ornament in any public highways, streets, or public lands in the town or to any structure put up for the protection of such trees; or except for necessary repairs, drive into such trees or structures any pails, spikes, hooks or staples or affix signboards thereto.

Sec. 3. No owner or person for the time having the care or use of any horse or other beast of burden, shall ride, drive or permit the same to go at a faster rate than ten miles an hour in any streets or public highway of the town, except in case of sickness, death, accident or fire.

Sec. 4. No person shall place or cause to be placed in any public street or way of the town any rubbish, ashes or garbage, except for the purpose of immediate removal therefrom.

Sec. 5. No person shall make any marks or post any bills upon any wall, fence, post, bridge or other structure within the limits of any street or public highway in said town, without having first obtained permission in writing from the Selectmen.

Sec. 6. No person shall make any bonfire in any of the streets, public highways or public lands or commons of the town.

Sec. 7. No person shall coast, course or slide down, in or along any of the sidewalks, streets or public ways of the town, except at such places and under such restrictions and regulations as the Selectmen shall first designate and specify in writing.

Sec. 8. No person shall play at ball, or throw ball, stones, sticks or other missiles within any of the streets or public ways of the town; or do the same in any of the public grounds of the town without permission of the Selectmen first obtained in writing, but this section shall not apply to any of the grounds connected with any of the school buildings of said town.

Sec. 9. No person shall fire or discharge any gun, pistol or firearms, or set fire to any material known as fireworks, or throw any

such lighted fireworks, in, into or across any of the public streets, public highways or sidewalks of the town.

Sec. 10. Any person violating any of the provisions of the preceding sections of this article shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty dollars for each and every offense, to be recovered by complaint before any trial justice or district court in the county of Middlesex having jurisdiction.

Sec. 11. It shall be the duty of the Selectmen, Constables and Police Officers to prosecute and any person injured may prosecute any violations of any of the preceding sections of this article, by complaint as hereinbefore mentioned, providing, however, that all prosecutions shall be commenced within one month from the date of such violation.

Sec. 12. All penalties recovered from violation of any of the preceding sections of this article shall be paid into the treasury of the town, to be applied to such as the town from time to time shall direct.

### ARTICLE III

Section 1. The Selectmen may license suitable persons as junk-collectors, to collect, by purchase or otherwise, junk, old metals, and second-hand articles from place to place in the town; and they may provide that such collectors shall display badges upon their persons or upon their vehicles, or upon both, when engaged in collecting, transporting or dealing in junk, old metals, or second-hand articles; and may prescribe the design thereof. They may also provide that all articles of merchandise therein and any place, vehicle or receptacle used for the collection or keeping of the articles aforesaid, may be examined at all times by the Selectmen or by any person by them authorized to make such examination.

# ANNUAL REPORT

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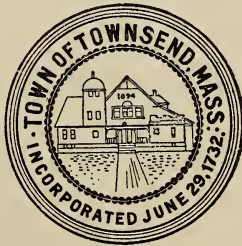
## TREASURER

OF THE

TOWN OF TOWNSEND

FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1922



1923

THE NEWS PRINTING CO.

AYER, MASS.

## Treasurer's Receipts for the Year

### Taxes

#### Current Year:

Polls	\$2,673 00
Property	43,272 63
Moth	122 50
	<hr/> \$46,068 13

#### Previous years

9,175 17

### From the Commonwealth

Income tax, 1919	\$ 7 25
Income tax, 1920	50 75
Income tax, 1921	304 50
Income tax, 1922	1,461 45
Income tax, teachers' salaries	2,150 00
School fund	2,953 90
Superintendent's salary	966 67
Special high school tuition	907 00
Tuition of State wards	126 78
Mothers' aid	278 09
Highways, State supervision	3,154 68
National Bank tax	710 93
Corporation tax	2,526 76
Reimbursement, charities	160 72
Soldiers' exemptions	109 13
Civilian war polls	12 00
Inspection of animals	66 00
Moth suppression	78 30

#### Accounts receivable, 1921:

Moth suppression	\$313 11
Highways	352 96
State aid	402 00
	<hr/> \$1,068 07

#### Total from the Commonwealth

\$17,092 98

## Miscellaneous accounts receivable:

Memorial hall	132 37	
Town Home, board	150 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$282 37
		<u>          </u> \$282 37

## Licenses

Auctioneers	\$ 1 00	
Hackney	14 00	
Druggists	6 00	
Junk	10 00	
License to keep and sell automobiles	25 00	
Pedlers	4 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$60 00

## Grants and Gifts

County of Middlesex, dog licenses	\$331 19
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## General Government

Rent Memorial hall	\$1,066 85	
Typewriter sold	12 50	
	<u>          </u>	\$1,079 35

## Protection of Persons and Property

## Fire Department:

Forest fires	\$ 12 70
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## Inspection:

Weights and measures	33 29
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## Forestry:

Forest fires	118 50
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## Moth Department:

Private work	169 22	
	<u>          </u>	\$333 71

## Highways

Street oiling	\$118 00
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Charities

## Town Home:

Sale of produce	\$447 68	
Board of inmates	150 00	
		<u>\$597 68</u>

## Outside Relief:

Reimbursement, medical attendance	\$ 15 00	
Reimbursement for auto hire	5 00	
Reimbursement by state	20 83	
Reimbursement for care	261 00	
		<u>\$301 83</u>

## Lumbering:

Sale of wood and lumber	\$3,025 70	
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Total for charities	<u>\$3,925 21</u>	
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## Education

Tuition	\$158 00	
Refund, salaries	6 14	
Reimbursement for telephone	10 75	
Sale of supplies	17 56	
Rent of Odd Fellows' hall	125 00	
		<u>\$317 45</u>

## Unclassified

Damage to high school by lightning	\$130 00	
Board of horses	24 00	
Sale of street lamps	12 00	
		<u>\$166 00</u>

## Cemeteries

Care of lots	\$569 98	
Interest on Perpetual care funds	868 00	
Interest on Floral fund	5 00	
Interest on Tucker fund	37 50	
		<u>\$1,480 48</u>

## Municipal Indebtedness

Temporary loans, tax notes	\$33,000 00	
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Trust Funds

Cemetery Perpetual care	\$950 00
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## Interest

On taxes	\$384 83
On deposit	91 51
On Worthy Poor funds	28 52

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Total for interest	\$504 86
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Total cash receipts	\$114,884 90
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Cash on hand January 1, 1922	6,819 80
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Total	\$121,704 70
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# Expenditures

## GENERAL GOVERNMENT

### Legislative Department

Moderator	\$ 5 00
Town water supply committee, for engineer's plans and surveys	206 00

### Selectmen's Department

Salaries	\$375 00
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#### Expenses:

Clerk hire	\$84 00	
Typing town warrants	8 40	
Printing and advertising	19 58	
Carfare	7 40	
Telephone	28 02	
Postage	11 75	
Exchange of typewriters	54 00	
Distributing town reports	2 00	
Express	2 02	
	<hr/>	\$217 17

### Auditing Department

Auditors	\$50 00
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### Treasurer

Salary	\$250 00
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#### Expenses:

Postage	\$32 00	
Stationery and check books	41 47	
Printing	3 75	
Express	93	
Safe deposit box	3 00	
Steel check file for checks	14 00	
	<hr/>	\$95 15

## Collectors of Taxes

Collector, 1922	\$230 34	
Collector, 1920-21	91 18	
	<u>          </u>	\$321 52

## Assessors' Department

Salaries	\$291 50	
Expenses:		
Clerk hire	90 00	
Stationery and printing	31 50	
Teams and automobiles	18 50	
Information from registry of deeds	19 15	
Collector's books	6 56	
Telephone and express	2 24	
	<u>          </u>	\$459 45

## Town Clerk's Department

Salary	\$95 00	
Stationery and postage	6 81	
Printing	4 09	
Supplies	3 60	
Attending town clerk's meeting	4 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$113 50

## Law Department

Town counsel	\$69 10
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## Other Finance Accounts

Certifying town notes	\$8 00
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## Election and Registration

Registrars	\$ 52 00	
Election officers	122 00	
Typewriting	17 00	
Postage	6 00	
Printing	7 00	
Teams	2 50	
	<u>          </u>	\$206 50

## Memorial Hall

Janitor	\$445 90
Re-wiring hall	152 90

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Light for hall	116 48	
Light for library	91 09	
Fuel	260 50	
Repairs	76 28	
Special repairs to doors	79 93	
Song-writers' Association, license	20 00	
Janitor's supplies	29 09	
New electric lights	10 45	
Silverware	15 52	
Cement repairs	36 50	
Tuning piano	3 50	
	<hr/>	\$1,338 14

## Officers' Bonds and Insurance

Collector's bond	\$50 00	
Treasurer's bond	20 00	
Town clerk's bond	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$72 00
Insurance		4 35
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Total for general government		\$3,790 88

## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

## Police Department

## Salaries:

Chief	\$462 55
West Townsend	235 50
Harbor	18 50

## Expenses:

Special police, holidays	66 00	
Detective work	57 98	
Telephone	67 33	
Police, band concerts	32 50	
Attendant	4 00	
Teams and automobiles	17 00	
Care silent policemen	79 69	
Printing	1 75	
	<hr/>	\$1,042 80



## Suppression of Liquor

Police	\$55 00	
Special police work	10 50	
	<hr/>	\$65 50

## Fire Department

## Salaries:

Chief	\$ 50 00	
Firemen	360 00	
Poll taxes	145 00	
	<hr/>	\$555 00

## Expenses:

Repairs to extinguishers	\$116 68	
General repairs	93 31	
Autos and teams	4 25	
Fuel	92 95	
Telephone	28 09	
Electricity	18 46	
Lighting engine houses	5 02	
Teams to fires	2 00	
Wood	2 50	
	<hr/>	\$363 26

## Sealing of Weights and Measures

Salary of sealer	\$50 00	
Supplies	4 60	
	<hr/>	\$54 60

## Moth Department

Superintendent	\$462 00	
Labor	584 70	
Teams	146 40	
Repairs	12 10	
Insecticides	40 00	
Freight	16 59	
Gasoline	35 26	
	<hr/>	\$1,297 05

## Tree Warden

Salaries and wages	\$109 95	
Teams	14 50	
	<hr/>	\$124 45

## Forest Fires

Labor	\$125 50	
Automobiles	29 75	
	<u>          </u>	\$155 25

Total for protection \$3,657 91

## HEALTH AND SANITATION

## Quarantine:

Groceries and provisions \$40 52

## Vital Statistics:

Births	\$ 6 00	
Deaths	16 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$22 00

## Inspection:

School children	\$100 00	
District nurse association	35 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$135 00

## Animals and Meat:

Animals	\$203 50	
Meat	95 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$298 50

## Sewers:

Use of Fessenden's sewer	\$40 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$40 00

Total for health and sanitation, \$536 02

## HIGHWAYS

## Street Repairs, State Supervision

## Labor:

Superintendent and teams	\$2,444 46	
Labor	3,330 37	
Teams	2,467 95	
	<u>          </u>	\$8,242 78

## Expenses:

Oiling	\$710 88
Gravel	160 35

Posts and railing	145 20	
Repairs	124 54	
Drainpipe	111 59	
Cutting brush	71 55	
Tools	55 00	
Posts from town home	50 28	
Telephone	18 78	
Freight	1 89	
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		\$1,450 06

Total for street repairs \$9,692 84

### Bridges

#### F. A. Woods Bridge:

Contractor	\$350 00	
Labor	74 40	
Stringers and plank	51 15	
Stone	10 00	
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		\$485 55

#### Witch Brook Bridge:

Labor	\$178 80	
Plank and stringers	83 00	
Spikes	4 50	
Stone	30 00	
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		\$296 30

#### Brookline Street Bridge:

Labor	\$245 30	
Plank and stringers	233 39	
Railing and supplies	40 96	
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		\$519 65

#### Harbor Bridge:

Plank	\$19 91	
Labor	9 60	
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		\$29 51

Total for bridges \$1,331 01

### Snow Removal

Labor	\$210 55
Teams	332 80

New snow plow	85 58		
Repairs	8 75		
Breaking for automobiles	77 00		
	<u>          </u>	\$714 68	
		<u>          </u>	\$714 68

## Street Lights

Electricity	\$1,848 18		
Oil	5 84		
	<u>          </u>	\$1,854 02	
		<u>          </u>	\$1,854 02

## Watering Troughs:

Care and labor	\$8 00	\$8 00	\$8 00
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## Insurance:

On highway tools and tool house		\$3 75	\$3 75
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Total for highways			<u>\$13,604 30</u>
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## CHARITIES

## Town Home

Salary of superintendent	\$ 700 15		
Other wages	1,062 80		
	<u>          </u>	\$1,762 95	

## Expenses:

Grain	\$528 29		
Groceries and provisions	468 60		
Repairs	107 98		
Medical attendance	76 25		
Dry goods and clothing	66 26		
Disc harrow	42 50		
Telephone	35 64		
Oil	15 75		
Wood	90 00		
Fertilizer	21 85		
Veterinary	8 00		
Miscellaneous	4 09		
	<u>          </u>	\$1,465 18	
		<u>          </u>	\$3,228 13

## Outside Relief

Relief by cities and towns	\$1,760 94	
Relief by state	753 99	
Cash (Mothers' aid)	508 00	
Board and care	158 00	
Groceries and provisions	131 49	
Rent	98 00	
Medical attendance	87 00	
Nurse	81 66	
Fuel	45 54	
Carfare and auto hire	29 10	
Clothing	14 70	
Burial	12 50	
Grain	9 95	
Sawing wood	8 10	
Milk	6 71	
	<u>          </u>	\$3,705 68

## Overseers of Poor

Salaries (2)	\$100 00	
Carfare and automobiles	15 12	
Telephone	14 45	
Office expenses	8 50	
Books	3 12	
Postage	3 36	
	<u>          </u>	\$144 55

## Lumbering, Town Home Lot

Insurance on wood, on lot	\$ 24 61	
Cutting timber	1,199 40	
Teaming	997 71	
Sawing and mill work	347 52	
Demurrage	2 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$2,571 24

Total for charities

\$9,649 60

## Soldiers' Benefits

State aid	\$312 00	\$312 00
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## EDUCATION

### Administration

Superintendent	\$1,450 06	
Clerk	16 48	
	<u>          </u>	\$1,466 54

### Teachers' Salaries

High	\$6,620 00	
Other Center grades	3,713 50	
West	4,210 96	
Harbor	1,020 00	
Supervisor	333 45	
	<u>          </u>	\$15,897 91

### Janitors

Center	\$956 50	
West	352 00	
Harbor	142 20	
Special janitor, Memorial hall	100 00	
Extra cleaning	45 88	
	<u>          </u>	\$1,596 58

### Transportation

Automobiles	\$2,481 50	
Teams	2,123 50	
Teams for supervisor	26 90	
Repairs school barges	30 25	
	<u>          </u>	\$4,662 15

### Text Books and Supplies

High	\$171 29	
Elementary	632 25	
Blank books and supplies	731 92	
Music supplies	28 39	
Maps	69 17	

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Express and trucking	12 35	
Postage	4 67	
	<hr/>	\$1,650 04

## Fuel

Coal	\$698 24	
Wood	179 50	
	<hr/>	\$877 74

## Incidentals

New equipment	\$154 28	
Telephone	107 07	
Drinking water	86 50	
Janitors' supplies	54 17	
Electricity	48 64	
Blankets for robes	40 00	
Graduation expenses	27 25	
Trucking	26 75	
Stationery and supplies	19 80	
Printing	12 00	
Music	7 50	
Clock	9 23	
Tuning and repairing pianos	5 00	
Old bill, Levi Richardson's estate	9 75	
Attendance officer	19 00	
	<hr/>	\$626 94

## Repairs

Buildings	\$135 73	
Furnaces	137 44	
Painting buildings	190 35	
New storm windows	57 40	
Barges	17 75	
New flag pole and erecting	23 21	
New flags	13 41	
Changing over seats	8 80	
	<hr/>	\$584 09

## Insurance

Center buildings	\$102 62	
West buildings	112 38	
Barges	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$221 00

## Special Repairs

Center school buildings, damage by lightning	\$67 85	
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Total for education		\$27,650 84

## Public Library

Dog license refund	\$331 19	
Town appropriation	478 07	
	<hr/>	\$809 26

## RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

## Recreation

## Parks:

Sidewalk construction	\$200 00	
Repairs to fence	35 33	
Repairs to seats	15 37	
Electricity	7 47	
Labor	5 60	
	<hr/>	\$263 77

## Band Concerts:

Townsend band	400 00	
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Total for parks		\$663 77
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## Unclassified

## Memorial Day Observance:

Memorial association	\$125 00	\$125 00
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## Miscellaneous:

Printing town reports	\$585 20
Middlesex County Farm	
Bureau	150 00
Moving picture screen	83 28
Plans for school building	50 00
Dental clinic	25 00
Accident to Mrs. Emma R.	
Litch	76 40
Insurance on hearse house	7 80
Taxes, town of Ashby	5 18

Total for unclassified	\$982 86	\$982 86
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## Witch Brook Accident

George L. Baldwin	\$797 52	\$797 52
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## Hildreth Dam

Labor to complete work	\$14 87	\$14 87
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## Cemeteries

## Labor:

Center	\$1,114 68	
West	217 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$1,331 68

## Expenses:

Fertilizer	\$127 84	
Electricity	6 35	
Cement	5 25	
Repairs	2 80	
Tools and supplies	3 27	
Freight	12 00	
Insurance	7 80	
Printing	6 50	
Postage	5 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$176 81

## West Townsend Improvements

Paid for stakes	\$10 00
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### Floral Fund

Paid for flowers	\$2 50	
Total for cemeteries		\$1,520 99

### INTEREST

On temporary loans	\$812 28	
On Worthy Poor fund, to overseers	28 52	
Total for interest		\$840 80

### AGENCY

#### Taxes:

State	\$4,560 00
State highways	651 50
Polls	1,524 00
Non-resident bank tax	502 04
County	2,896 67

Total for agency	\$10,134 21
Total charges to appropriations ledger	\$75,090 83

### GENERAL LEDGER

#### Payments:

Temporary loans	\$35,500 00
Accounts payable, 1921 charges	712 68
Trust funds deposited	950 00
Tax abatements	266 00

#### Land Bought:

Tax titles	\$67 59	
Land for schoolhouse site	50 00	
		\$117 59

Total payments general ledger	\$37,546 27
Total charge for the year	\$112,637 10



## TRANSFERS

Accounts payable to sundry ac-		
counts	\$200 71	
Lumbering to highways	50 28	
Lumbering to bridges	272 30	
Lumbering to town home	90 00	
Lumbering to outside relief	22 50	
Town farm to lumbering	372 56	
Total to be deducted (not cash items)		\$1,008 35
Total cash payments for the year		\$111,628 75
Cash on hand December 31, 1922		10,075 95
Total		\$121,704 70

## Special Cash Account

### REDEMPTION OF VICTORY LOAN BONDS

Received for 6 \$1,000.00 bonds	\$6,000 00
Paid for 6 \$1,000.00 and 1 \$100.00 bonds	\$5,992.40
Deposited balance to credit of cemetery interest	7 60
	\$6,000 00

In making this exchange of bonds, we gained the amount of one \$100.00 bond, and the balance, \$7.60, was placed in the interest account of the perpetual care funds. This \$100.00 bond is included in the cemetery trust funds, but can be used by the town for other purposes if desired. It was thought best to give the perpetual care funds the benefit of the gain by the exchange of these bonds, until such time as the town should decide to do otherwise.

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### CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

Amount on deposit, December 31, 1921	\$18,835 00
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Received during the year 1922:

For care of: Daniel Wares lot	\$100 00
Charles M. Proctor lot	100 00
Ithamer B. Sawtelle lot	100 00
James A. Dixon lot	100 00
Henry B. Eggleston lot	100 00
Eben Estes lot	100 00
Fred Estes lot	50 00
Eliab Going lot	200 00
George E. Van Ettan lot	100 00
	100 00

Total received during the year 1922	\$950 00
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One additional Liberty Bond purchased from the proceeds of the bonds redeemed	100 00
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Amount of Perpetual Care funds December 31, 1922	<u>\$19,885 00</u>
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The Perpetual Care Funds are invested as follows:

United States Liberty Bonds	\$14,100 00
Bond of the City of New York	550 00
Winchendon Savings Bank	2,300 00
Townsend National Bank, Savings Department	2,135 00
Fitchburg Savings Bank	500 00
Worcester North Savings Institution	300 00

Total invested Perpetual Care Funds	<u>\$19,885 00</u>
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T. E. FLARITY,  
Treasurer.

# Town of Townsend

Balance Sheet, December 31, 1922

## GENERAL ACCOUNTS

CURRENT ASSETS		CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Cash in bank	\$10,075 95	Accounts payable	\$200 71
Accounts Receivable:		Temporary loans	10,000 00
Taxes, 1916	\$ 5 89	Appropriation balances	1,227 51
Taxes, 1917	40 70	Reserve fund (surplus overlay)	421 38
Taxes, 1921	480 09		
Taxes, 1922	5,069 72	Reserves for Abatements:	
Moth, 1917	12	Overlay, 1917	\$ 40 70
Moth, 1919	2 56	Overlay, 1919	2 56
Moth, 1921	1 85	Overlay, 1921	80 36
Moth, 1922	44 21	Overlay, 1922	294 12
	<u>\$5,645 14</u>		<u>\$417 74</u>
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		Excess and Deficiency:	
Highway account	\$135 36	Surplus, 1922	\$4,447 20
Inspection of animals	55 50		
	<u>\$190 86</u>		

## Miscellaneous:

Town home account	\$300 00
Lumbering account	385 00
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	\$685 00

Tax titles	67 59
Land for schoolhouse	50 00
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	\$16,714 54

Total assets

Total liabilities

\$16,714 54
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## TRUST FUNDS

Invested trust funds

Cemetery perpetual care

\$19,885 00
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Worthy Poor:

\$334 00
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Wilson fund

300 00
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Spaulding fund

\$634 00
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Miner, floral fund

100 00
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\$20,619 00
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\$20,619 00
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## Recapitulation

	Appropriations and Transfers	Expenditures	Balances
General Government:			
Moderator	\$ 5 00	\$ 5 00	
Town water supply	300 00	206 00	\$ 94 00
Selectmen's salaries	375 00	375 00	
Selectmen's expenses	217 17	217 17	
Auditors	50 00	50 00	
Treasurer's salary	250 00	250 00	
Treasurer's expenses	100 00	95 15	4 85
Collector of taxes	550 00	321 52	228 48
Assessors, salary and expenses	475 00	459 45	15 55
Town Clerk's salary	95 00	95 00	
Town Clerk's expenses	20 00	18 50	1 50
Law department	100 00	69 10	30 90
Certifying town notes	8 00	8 00	
Election officers and registrars	225 00	206 50	18 50
Memorial hall	1,804 18	1,338 14	466 04
Town officers' bonds	82 00	72 00	10 00
Insurance	4 35	4 35	

### Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department	1,050 00	1,042 80	7 20
Suppression sale of liquor	200 00	65 50	134 50
Salaries of firemen	585 00	555 00	30 00
Teams to fires	50 00	2 00	48 00
Fire incidentals	462 70	356 24	106 46
Electricity	20 00	5 02	14 98
Sealer of weights and measures	83 29	54 60	28 69
Moth suppression	1,297 05	1,297 05	

Tree warden	125 00	124 45	55
Forest fires	224 32	155 25	69 07

## Health and Sanitation:

Board of health, quarantine	188 00	40 52	147 48
Vital statistics	22 00	22 00	
School physician	100 00	100 00	
School nurse	247 80	35 00	212 80
Inspection of animals and meat	329 00	298 50	30 50
Use of Fessenden's sewer	40 00	40 00	

## Highways and Bridges:

Street repairs, state supervision	9,718 00	9,692 84	25 16
Bridges and Village streets	1,400 00	1,331 01	68 99
Snow removal	950 00	714 68	235 32
Street lights	2,075 00	1,854 02	220 98
Watering troughs	25 00	8 00	17 00
Insurance	3 75	3 75	
Draining Maple street	175 00		175 00

## Charities:

Town home	3,252 74	3,228 13	24 61
Outside relief	3,705 68	3,705 68	
Overseers of poor	205 12	144 55	60 57
Lumbering, town home lot	3,845 78	2,571 24	1,274 54

## Soldiers' Benefits:

State aid	350 00	312 00	38 00
Soldiers' relief	50 00		50 00

## Education:

Superintendent and clerk	1,466 54	1,466 54	
Teachers' salaries	15,897 91	15,897 91	
Janitors	1,596 58	1,596 58	
Transportation	4,662 15	4,662 15	
Text books and supplies	1,650 04	1,650 04	
Fuel	877 74	877 74	
Incidentals	626 94	626 94	

Repairs	584 09	584 09	
Insurance	221 00	221 00	
Damage by lightning	130 00	67 85	62 15
Public Library:			
Appropriation and dog license	809 26	809 26	
Recreation and Unclassified:			
Care of parks	300 00	263 77	36 23
Band concerts	400 00	400 00	
Unclassified:			
Memorial day observance	125 00	125 00	
Printing town reports	585 20	585 20	
Middlesex County Farm Bureau	150 00	150 00	
Moving picture screen	150 00	83 28	66 72
Plans for school building	50 00	50 00	
Dental clinic	25 00	25 00	
Insurance on hearse house	7 80	7 80	
Witch Brook accident	797 52	797 52	
Hildreth dam, for fire purposes	45 15	14 87	30 28
Miscellaneous	150 00	81 58	68 42
Cemeteries:			
General care	1,717 02	1,508 49	208 53
Improvements at West Townsend	150 00	10 00	140 00
Tucker fund	54 85		54 85
Floral fund	5 00	2 50	2 50
Care soldiers' graves	112 00		112 00
Interest:			
On town notes	1,929 75	812 28	1,117 47
Worthy poor interest	28 52	28 52	
Agency:			
State and county taxes	10,264 82	10,131 21	130 61
Totals	<u>\$81,010 81</u>	<u>\$75,090 83</u>	<u>\$5,919 98</u>

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SUMMARY OF RECAPITULATION

Unexpended balances as above		\$5,919 98
Less Balances carried forward:		
Appropriation for town water	\$ 94 00	
Tax collectors' salaries	228 48	
Street light extension	150 00	
Draining Maple street	175 00	
Damage by lightning	62 15	
Cemetery interest	208 53	
Tucker fund	54 85	
Floral fund	2 50	
Cemetery improvements, West	140 00	
Care soldiers' graves	112 00	
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Total balances carried forward		\$1,227 51
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Net unexpended balance		\$4,692 47
Less deficit in 1922 revenue account		245 27
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Net revenue surplus for the year		\$4,447 20
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Respectfully submitted,

T. E. FLARITY,  
Treasurer.

## REPORT OF AUDITORS

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To the Voters of Townsend:

We have examined the books and vouchers of the Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, for the years 1916, 1917, 1919, 1920, 1921 and 1922, also the Overseers of the Poor (Worthy Poor Account), Town Clerk, Librarian, Cemetery Commissioners, and the Janitor of Memorial Hall, for the year ending December 31, 1922, and find them correct.

In auditing the 1921 taxes, we found that the collector paid the Treasurer 65c more on interest than his cash book shows he collected, also the collector for 1922 has paid the treasurer \$8.00 more on poll taxes than his cash book shows collected.

We would respectfully call attention to the difference between the collector's report and treasurer's report of uncollected taxes for the years 1916 and 1921.

H. L. WHITCOMB,  
F. N. DAVIS,  
C. P. KEEFE,  
Auditors.



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Middlesex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Townsend, in said  
County:                                  Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the freeholders and other inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in Elections and in Town Affairs, to meet in Memorial Hall, in said Townsend, on Monday, March 5, 1923, at 6 o'clock A. M., to act on the following Articles, viz.:

To give in their votes on one ballot for Moderator, three Selectmen, three Overseers of the Poor, three members of the Board of Health, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Tree Warden, three Auditors, three Constables, one member of the School Board, three Trustees of the Tucker Fund, for one year, one Assessor, one member of the School Committee, one Trustee of the Public Library, one Park Commissioner and one Cemetery Commissioner to serve for three years. And also on the same ballot, to vote "Yes" or "No" upon the following question: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of certain non-intoxicating beverages in this town?", and also to vote upon the following question: "Shall the town petition for the installation of an accounting system by the Commonwealth?" (This question is submitted under the provision of Chapter 516, Acts of 1922.

The polls will be open at 6 o'clock A. M. and may be closed at 2 o'clock P. M.

Article 1. To choose all officers not required by law to be chosen by ballot.

Art. 2. To accept the printed reports of the officers and committees of the town.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to enter into a contract with the Department of Public Works, division of Highways, that a portion of the sum available under the provisions of Sections 26, 27, 28 and 29, of Chapter 81 of the General Laws, as amended, be appropriated and expended in Townsend.

Art. 4. To raise and appropriate money for the several departments of the town, viz.: General Government, Protection of Persons and Property, Health and Sanitation, Highways and Bridges, Charities, Education, Public Library, Recreation, Soldiers' Benefits, Interest and Unclassified Items, a detail list of which will be found in the Budget.

Art. 5. To choose a committee for the suppression of vice and to prosecute the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in this town.

Art. 6. To choose an agent or agents to prosecute and defend all suits in behalf of the town with power to employ counsel.

Art. 7. To decide whether the money refunded to the town on account of dog licenses shall be used for the Public Library, or for Schools.

Art. 8. To authorize the town treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue for the financial year 1923.

Art. 9. To authorize the town treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue for the financial year 1924.

Art. 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 or some other amount, and elect a director, the money to be expended by, and the director to serve in co-operation with the County Agriculture Trustees of the Middlesex County Bureau of Agriculture and Home Economics under the provisions of Section 40 to 45, Chapter 128, General Laws of Massachusetts.

Art. 11. To raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of removing snow from the Highways in order to make them passable for automobiles during the winter.

Art. 12. To hear the report of the committee chosen on the cutting off of the wood-lot at the Town Farm, or to act in any way in regard to the foregoing article.

Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to adopt a by-law providing for the appointment of an advisory or finance committee in accordance with Section 16, Chapter 39, of the General Laws.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to increase the candle power of the street lights from 32 candle power to 40 candle power.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the street lights at the Harbor, east to the residence of Harry P. Wright.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for five additional street lights on Highland Street.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to fix a date when the tax commitment shall be delivered to the tax collector.

Art. 17A. To hear the report of the committee on town water supply and raise and appropriate money for further investigation.

Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to fix a time when taxes shall be collected and also the time when the tax collector shall be paid for his services.

Art. 19. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for the care of soldiers' graves in the cemeteries of the town.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in building new sidewalks.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to build a new bridge over the Sunanicook river on the road leading from Townsend Center to Lunenburg.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow a sum or sums of money for the construction of a new bridge over the Squanicook river on the road leading from Townsend Center to Lunenburg.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to choose a committee to investigate the feasibility of establishing a town forest in Townsend, in accordance with the recommendation of the Governor of the Commonwealth.

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to amend the town by-laws by striking out Section 1 of Art. 1, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Section 1. The Annual Town Meeting for the transaction of town business shall be held on the first Monday in March in each year.

Section 1A. The Annual Town Meeting for the election of town officers, shall be held on the second Monday in March of each year.



Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to choose a committee to investigate the feasibility of boarding out the inmates of the town home, also to investigate the possibility of entering into an agreement with other towns to unite with them for the care of the inmates of the town home, this committee to report at the next Town Meeting.

Art. 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to reimburse Herbert F. Litch for the damage claimed by him to have been done because of the water from the road washing sand on his land.

Art. 27. To see if the town will appoint a committee to investigate the heating and sanitary arrangements of the Center School building and report on the same at a later town meeting.

Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate an additional sum of \$200.00, the amount to be used for the purpose of draining Maple street.

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$44.10 to pay Mr. Frank Stickney for work surveying in West Townsend Cemetery in 1917 and 1918.

Art. 30. To see if the town will vote to accept from Alida E. (Lutz) Loven the sum of \$50.00 in trust the income therefrom to be used for the perpetual care of the Alida E. (Lutz) Loven lot in the cemetery at Townsend Center.

Art. 31. To see if the town will vote to accept from the estate of the late George E. Van Etten, of Townsend, the sum of \$100.00 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the George E. Van Etten lot in the Center Cemetery.

Art. 32. To see if the town will vote to accept from Mr. A. Z. Goodfellow, executor of the estate of the late Abel G. Stearns, the sum of \$50.00 in trust, the income therefrom to be



expended for the perpetual care of lot No. 27, east side of Price Avenue in Townsend Center Cemetery.

Art. 33. To see if the town will vote to accept from John A. Tyler, Laura T. Clark and Addie T. Wilder, the sum of \$50.00 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the east end of lot No. 27, Price Avenue in the cemetery at Townsend Center.

Art. 34. To see if the town will vote to accept from John A. Tyler, Laura T. Clark and Addie T. Wilder, the sum of \$100.00 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of lot No. 34, Avenue 1, known as the Asa Tyler lot in cemetery at Townsend Center.

Art. 35. To see if the town will vote to accept from Authena Campbell the sum of \$50.00 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the James Campbell lot in the cemetery at Townsend Center.

Art. 36. To see if the town will vote to accept from William H. Tenney the sum of \$100.00 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the William H. Tenney lot in the cemetery at West Townsend.

Art. 37. To see if the town will vote to accept from Mrs. Carolyn E. Patch the sum of \$100.00 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the John B. Egelston lot in the cemetery at Townsend Center.

Art. 38. To see if the town will vote to accept from Martha A. Lawrence the sum of \$100.00 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Martha A. Lawrence lot at the West Townsend Cemetery.

Art. 39. To see if the town will vote to accept from the Mead Brothers, Boston, Mass., Mary E. Morse and Clara A. Craig, the sum of \$100.00 in trust, the income therefrom to be

expended for the perpetual care of the Levi Stearns lot No. 3, on the south side of Cross Avenue in the cemetery at Townsend Center.

Art. 40. To see if the town will vote to accept from the late Mrs. Ada M. Parsons, the sum of \$100.00 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of lot No. 16, row 5, on the west side of East Avenue in the West Townsend Cemetery, known as the Frank D. Parsons lot.

Art. 41. To choose committees and hear reports of committees.

Or act in any way in relation to any of the foregoing articles.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Memorial Hall at the Center, the Brick Meeting-house in West Townsend, and the Meeting-house in the Harbor, in said Townsend, fourteen days, at least, before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of your doings thereon, to the Selectmen or Town Clerk, on or before the time appointed for said Meeting.

Given under our hand, this seventeenth day of February A. D. 1923.

GEORGE L. WHITCOMB,  
GEORGE C. WINCHESTER,  
A. DUDLEY BAGLEY,

Selectmen of Townsend.



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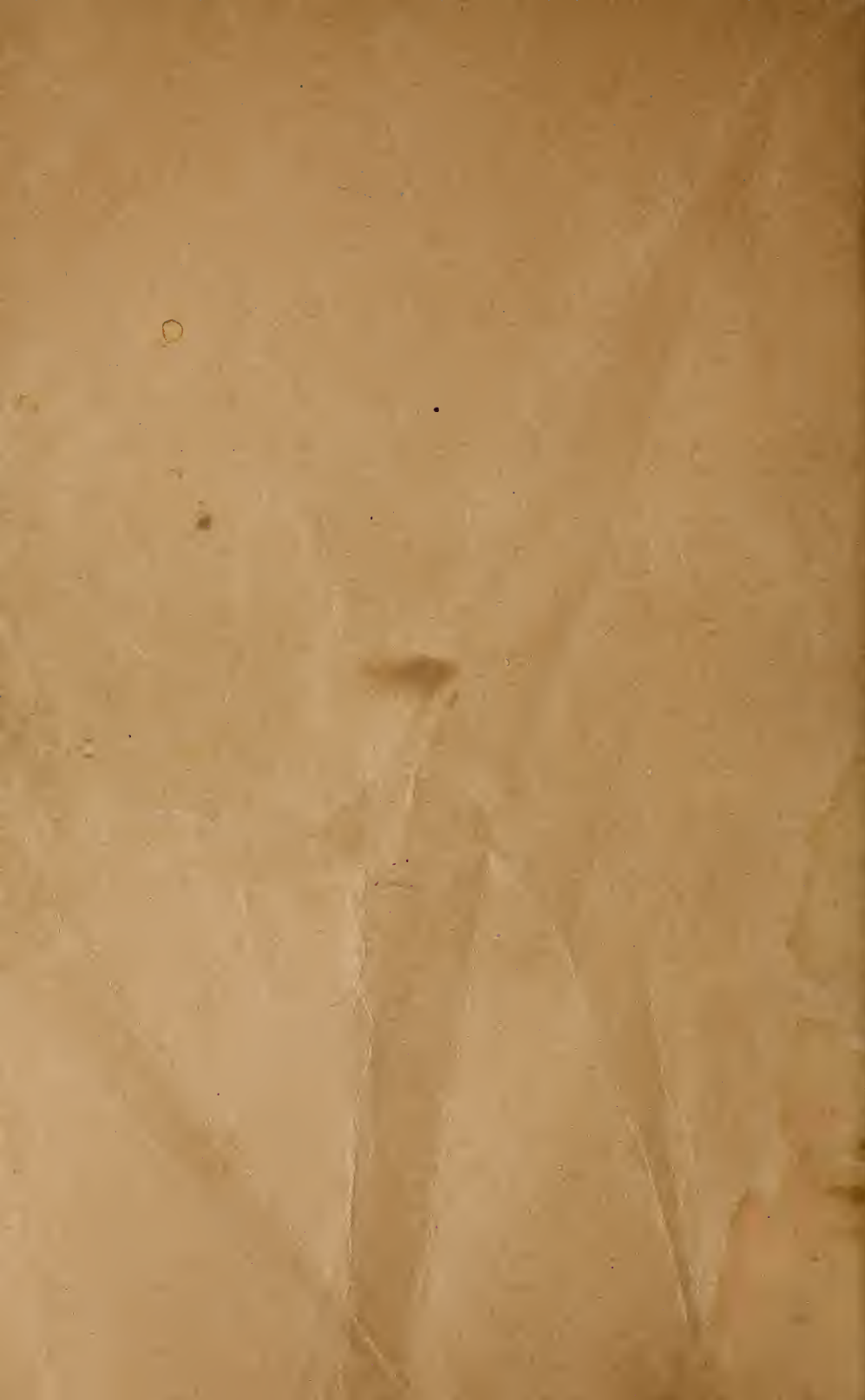
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